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THE "MOZARTS" OF FISK

To Give Two Grand Concerts—Hayden's Third Imperial

Mass to be Sung—The "Rhetoricals," Very Fine—Freeman Representative Given an Egg.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

G. T. Richings, of Boston, delivered one of his interesting illustrated lectures on the "Progress of the Negro Race" at the Jackson street church on the 29th ult. Rev. O. C. Garrett was called to Florence, Ala., on account of the illness of dis wife; he has not yet returned. The recent cold wave carried away the prospect of a fruit harvest. Mr. Wm. T. Hendrey will deliver the valedictory for the graduating class of Meig's High school while Mr. Clarence Stubblefield will welcome the visitors. Easter was observed by the Sabbath school of St. John's A, M. E. church, an excellent program was rendered. St. Paul Sabbath school was beautifully decorated Sunday 25th ult. in honor of the Resurrection of Christ. All the children including The Freeman representative were given eggs.

Rev. A. E. Edwards was installed as pastor of Pleasant Green Baptist church Sunday 25th ult. Rev. Haynes was master of ceremonies. Rev. S. Fowler is home visiting his family. He has a church in Kentucky. The last public rhetorical exercise of the year was held at Roger Williams university the 30th ult. The productions were of a high order. Prof. Richard Hill is doing a great work at St. Paul Sabbath school. He is an ardent worker. Why does Jas. R. not go to Sabbath school? He is needed. Ashleys to the Harpers:—"What young woman was the happiest on Easter?" Harpers:—"The one who had no Easter dress." W. N. DeBerry left for Fayetteville on business 30th ult. The Mozart society of Fisk University will give two concerts April 20th and 21st, under the management of Prof. H. H. Wright. It will render Hayden's "Third Imperial Mass" This mass abound in originality of ideas and an exquisite fancy to the admiration of all lovers of standard music. The society has more than 75 members and has rendered many select pieces. Prof Wright has taken very great pains in preparing the society for this rendition. The proceeds of the concert is donated to the fund for the purchase of a pipe organ.

The last public Rhetoricals occurred at Fisk University at 7:30 p. m., on the 30th, ult, for the year. The Memorial Chapel was crowded to hear the speakers for the evening. The exercises were opened by a piano solo, "Perpetual Motion," Weber, by Miss Fannie A. Woodard. After prayer by President Cravath, Dan Lawson sung "May Dew," by Bennett. Miss Mary L. Corpier was the first speaker, and read an excellent composition on "Thorns among Roses." "The path of Duty the way to Glory," was an interesting paper read by Miss Ella L. Grant. Miss Johnetta L. Terry read a well composed essay on "Demands of the Times." "The Federalists" was the subject of an oration delivered by the future young orator, Raymond R. Lawson. "The Democrat," a well delivered oration by Sammie W. Jefferson. A piano solo, "Second Waltz," by Godard, rendered by Jno. C. Dawson. "Freedom," the subject of an essay well composed and clearly delivered by Miss Bettie E. Postell. Perhaps the most interesting paper of the evening was the one read by Miss Amanda F. Moore, on "The Jewels of the South." The thoughts were so clearly brought out and well demonstrated one could not fail to glean the most interesting points which came from it. "The House of Lords and the Liberal party," the subject of an oration by the rising young orator, H. A. Cameron. "The Wilson Bill," an oration by Simpson Garner, was well delivered. A vocal solo, "The Spanish Gypsey," Watson, by Miss Hattie E. Lee. "The Mission of Government," an oration by Wiley Welch. "Lack of Sympathy," subject of an essay read by Miss Katie L. Smith. F. A. Bryan delivered an able oration on "Municipal Reform." "The Poverty and Charity Problem," was the subject of an oration by J. L. Wiley. A duett by the Misses Nellie Weaver and Priscilla Williams, "Ranz des Vaches," Miltbram.

Some of our subscribers are trying to get their friends to subscribe for The Freeman by the year. Remember The Freeman is the greatest and largest newspaper published. Its success depends upon the race, and if you desire it, rally to its support. Messrs W. Atlas Cocolough and Wm. H. Fort, are local reporters for The Freeman. If subscribers are not getting their paper regular, please write Lea O. James, agent, Fisk University.

The Cabinet Society.

Carthage, Mo., Special.

Rev. Richard R. Rush, who has been in charge of the M. E. church in this city for two years, has been moved to Clinton, Mo. He left for his new home Saturday evening. Rev. Mr Ellis, of Clinton, Mo., will take charge of the M. E. church at this place. W. S. Blake took a flying trip to Galena, Kan., and Joplin, not long since. A. J. Thompson was in the city recently. There are many strangers in our city at present. Lincoln school is in a lovely condition at present. Political meetings are all good; getting ready for the city election. Our political powers are Messrs R. A. Byrd, G. W. Patterson, Granville Webb, Jesse Adams, Sylus Hix Lee and others. Several young ladies are in the city visiting Miss Minnie E. Beechum. Ed. Thompson is peeping through the bars on E. Fourth street The Union Cabinet society, under the control of its new officers, is destine to do good work. W. S. Blake is president; G. W. Patterson, vice-president; R. A. Byrd, prosecuting attorney; W. B. Blake, critic and chairman. Of the Cabinet officers, Miss V. P. Snyder, editor of the paper; Fannie Eldredge, secretary; A. A. Crawf rd and Miss A. B. Garnett, tellers. E. Wilbur is out of the city. Miss Gertie Adams, who has been suffering very much with rheumatism, is seen out once in a while. Mrs. Anna Choice attended conference at Sedalia, and brings back glowing news. Mrs Minnie Gibson's eyes are some better. At a meeting not long since, essays on Robert Burns and Francis Bacon were well handled by two of the Lincoln school pupils. Look out for the big exhibition the 17th, inst.

Shot For "Sassing" Back.

East Point, La., Special.

There were fearful times here on the 27th, ult. It was learned that a white man by the name of Charlie W. Yearwood had shot a colored man twice by the name of Willie Thomas, and mortally wounded him. The white man is an over-locker (over-seer) on H. C. Stringfellow's plantation, and he told the Negro to move some logs and get ready for plowing. From one word to another they got into a quarrel, when the white man drew his revolver and fired four times, two shots taking effect. When the boss man came down to see about it, he said if the Negro cursed the white man, all he blamed the white man for was not going home and getting his gun, leading it with trace chains, and coming back and killing the Negro dead.

Received Prizes.

Augusta, Ark., Special.

Prof. Hicks' school closed on the 28th, ult. A prize was given to the best scholar; B. A. Vasor and Genetta Corley being selected. Miss Amanda Martin has arrived home after a long visit to her relatives in Little Rock. Miss P. E. Rodey has organized a lodge among the young people. Visiting his brother in New Madrid, Mo., Adam Buffett. Hon. Jno. M. Martin is a hustler for The Freeman. Miss Nellie Neal and Miss Lizzie Vaughn are on the sick list this week. Hope to see them out soon. Hon. H. H. Wilson and Miss Jennie E. Penn, his assistant teacher, have a very successful school this session. The pupils are learning very fast.

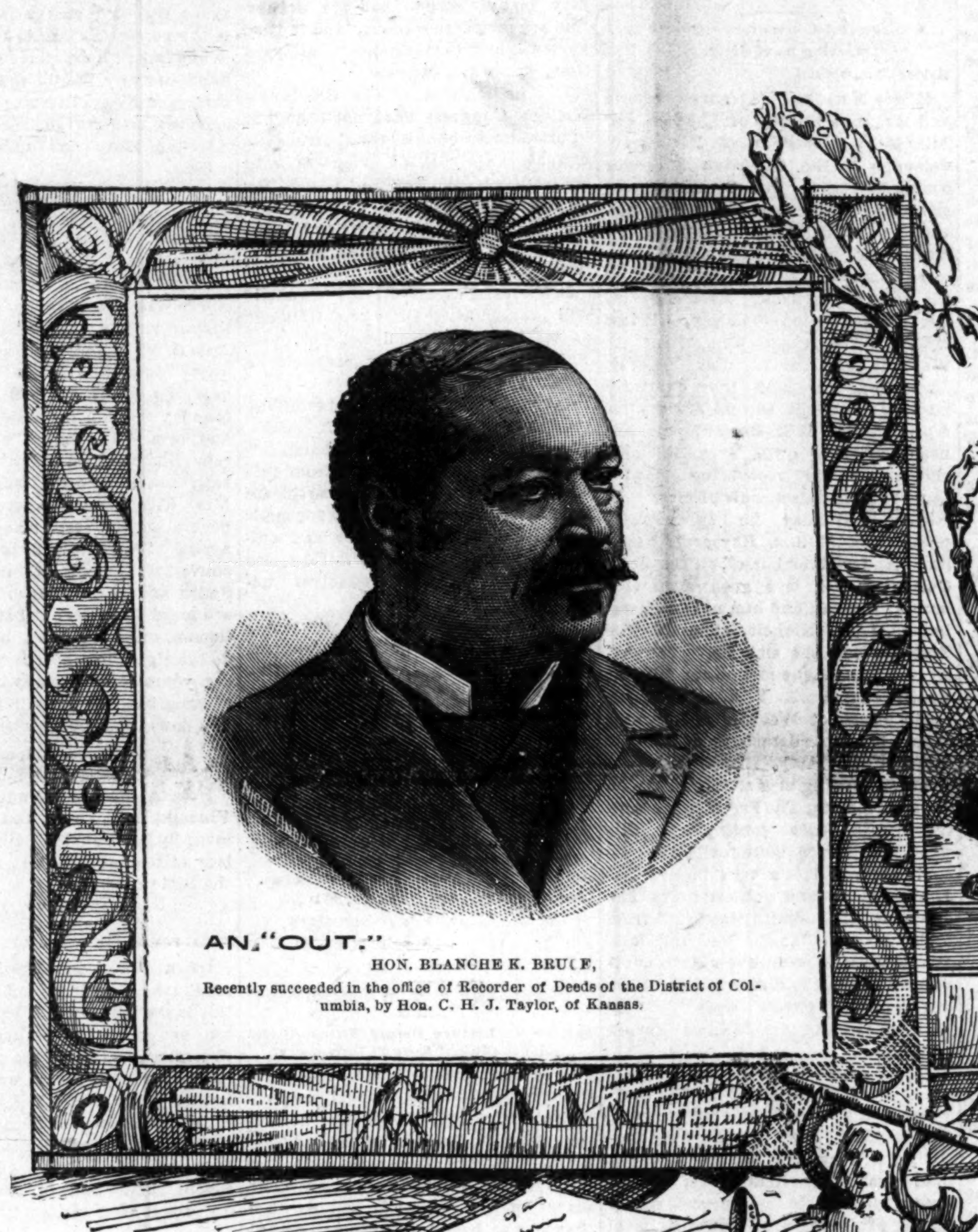
The Sons of Christianity.

Poplar Grove, Ark., Special.

Poplar Grove is situated on the Arkansas Midland R. R., 77 miles west of Helena, Ark., and has a population of about 200 inhabitants. We have four churches, two colored and two white. The A. M. E. church is pastored by Rev. J. Knight, and Second Baptist church is in charge of Rev. Jas. Washington. Both are progressing nicely. We have a good school, known as Poplar Grove Institute under the principalship of Prof. L. A. Greer, assisted by other good teachers. Prof. Greer is an educator of twelve year's experience, and has taught successfully in the state of Mississippi and Arkansas. He has done much good for the race both intellectually and morally. No home of color is complete without The Freeman. The young men of this place have organized a society known as the "Sons of Christianity." The S. of C. is progressing nicely, and they expect to do a grand work for the race. God push forward the day when the American Negroes will know that they will be whatever they make themselves.

A. M. G.

WOULD you wander in perrenial delight and wonder through the streets of the CITY OF GOD, Jerusalem, standing uncovered amidst the ruins that speak of the flight of ages, and the fadeless glory of David and Solomon? Then let THE FREEMAN guide and escort you, read our editorial on the Holy Land and our offer on fifth page.



AN "OUT."

HON. BLANCHE K. BRUCE,

Recently succeeded in the office of Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, by Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, of Kansas.

SOLOMON'S POOLS. * * *

As one glances at the excellent masonry surrounding these beautiful bodies of water, it is hard to realize that it dates back to the days of Solomon. The probability, however, is that these were constructed in their present form by David's son, although repairs have been made from time to time. In Eccles. II: 6, Solomon says, "I made me pools of water to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees." The fountain which supplies them is concealed in the hill-side and is known as the "Sealed Fountain of Solomon." They are so constructed that the surplus water of the first runs into the second, and the second into the third. The third or lower pool is the largest, being 582 feet long, 207 feet wide and 50 feet deep. The original purpose of the pools was to supply Jerusalem with water. At the present time water is coveyed only to Bethelhem, although traces of the old aqueduct can be found leading to Jerusalem, a distance of about thirteen miles.

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MAN AND THE LOWER BRUTE

The Subject of his Lecture—Successful Teachers.

Flourishing "Literary"—Reception by the Sunday School—Teacher to be Honored—Flashes, Notes.

Columbus, Ky., Special.

Mr. Charles Thompson is very low. Mrs. Mollie Bradford is still confined to her bed. Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert Quigley's baby has been sick. Mr. Lee Grant Brown who has been sick for sometime is thought to be better. Our public school under the principalship of Mr. D. R. Teague, and assisted by Miss A. Caraway, of this place, and Miss N. S. Price, of Nashville, will close Friday April 6th. The above named have had charge of our school for two terms, since they took charge of the work, two acres of land has been secured from the City council; a school house built at a cost of $1,514,20; and the enrollment has been increased from 90 to 180. We submit these facts and leave the reader to judge of their faithfulness. In connection with the success of our school too much can not be said of our faithful trustees: A. Mangruin, L. E. Walker and R. C. McCormick and the dutiful patron Mr. J. L. Williams. We have a fine literary society organized which promises to revive the whole town. Mr. W. L. Walker, is president; Miss Mary Key, vice president; Miss Sister Allen, secretary. The Sunday school will give a reception at the public school house Wednesday night, in honor of Miss Price and Mr. Teague. Rev. G. B. Lynch preached a fine sermon, recently, subject: "The Difference between Man and the lower Animals." Mr. Teague will lecture Tuesday night, subject: "The House I Live In." Mrs. S. T. Vaughn, Mrs. C. H. Walker, Mr Wm. Brown and Mr. Lewis Boyd are all in St. Louis. Rumor says that Miss Alma Vaughn is soon to be Mrs. W. H. Smith. At the residence of Mrs. Mary Caraway Friday will be given a reception in honor of Miss Price, who will leave Saturday morning for her home in Nashville. Mr. Teague will leave indirectly for Clinton, Ky. Call at G. W. Montgomery's shop and get The Freeman; on sale every Saturday.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Sparks.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

The Turner College is improving, students are still coming in, a class of six to graduate. Rev. Jones was given a pound party last Thursday night. About 75 or 80 pounds of provisions of all kinds were contributed; others will storm him next week. Trustee's rally will take place at the A. M. E. church on the second Sunday. Rev. Reasonover is having great success in his revival. Rev. Price held communion service at the M. E. church on the 25th ult. A ministers and deacons' meeting was held at Rev. G. W. Hemphill's Mt. Zion Baptist church on the 30th and 31st. Rev. Van and other prominent divines were present. Gen. Ernest Caldwell, a brilliant and leading young lawyer of the Shelbyville bar, will be married to Miss Josephine Warren, one of the fairest of the fair maids of Shelbyville, on the 17th. They will go on a bridal trip through all the largest cities of the Union. E. L. Peacock went to Nashville this week. Miss Belle Neil is at home with her mother for a few days. H. C. Frierson is getting well. Dr. Hickman went to the country this week to do some work. T. T. Ransom and wife went to Belbuckle on the 28th, to attend the funeral of her brother. W. I. Royal has a very fine horse, valued at $200. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

Wedding Bells.

Carthage, Tex., Special.

Mr. J. F. Hightower and Miss Alice Deckard, of Harmony Hill, were married at the bride's residence, the 21st ult., and Mr. Wyatt Amy and Miss Cynthia Greenwood, of the same place were married the 11th inst, Prof. Benton closed his school the 23rd. Carthage is a quiet, sober little town, in the eastern portion of Texas. Composed of perhaps two thousand inhabitants, about five hundred of whom are colored. We have two churches and one good school building. Some of the colored people of this county own homes, stock etc., and are doing well. As to the whites, generally speaking, we are never interfered with by them in any worthy step, but on the other hand, they will willingly assist in any enterprise for our good. I have been a reader of The Freeman for several months and can say that it is the greatest race paper in the United States. I think that such literature should be in the home of every colored person. Success to The Freeman.

Old Church to be Repaired.

Bonham, Tex., Special.

Prof. W. F. Granville, who is teaching school in Lodonia, Tex., was home in Bonham, Saturday. The entertainment given at the Baptist church Friday night, was a success; a nice time was had. The rhetorical exercises at the school house Friday afternoon, was largely attended. Humorous, exciting and interesting pieces were recited and raptuously applauded by an enthusiastic audience. The school children are "coming." A festival was given at the C. M. E. church Saturday night. In addition to

The repairing of the old church house,
  The seats will be replaced
By new ones, not at all like those
  Some rude boys have defaced.

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AN ABLE, BUT PASSIONATE,

Defence of The Southern Negro — Northern Negroes

Unmercifully Scored—Have More Respect For White "Pot Hustlers" Than Ladies of Their Own Race.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

For six or seven long years I have been a great admirer and constant reader of the grandest Negro weekly in America, The Freeman. When a student of medicine of Michigan University, at Ann Arbor, I found it a great consoler, and now as a busy practicing physician and surgeon, I find it a blazing meteor in the cloudy firmament of Afro-Americanism. Its contributions from profound thinkers of the race should be as lamps to the pathway of the masses. Yet in reading The Freeman I often see worthless letters from some "freshman of wisdom," some monomaniac, some "would be leader" or some poor simpleton, who just wants to see his name in print. Such characters are continually offering some of their "patent solutions of the race problem," when they are not competent to solve anything. Or they are directing their little poison arrows at some noble or great man's bosom, taking great pride in being a microscopic parasite hid away in the garment of some thinker of the race, for the sole purpose of piercing him with his sucker at every attempt to do good.

Some of them reside in the great free (?) North, God's (?) country and are continually shooting off their heads about what the Negro South should do, when at the same time they know nor care no more for the Negro South, or the Negro race, than the dog that bays the moon, or the sparrow that picks the crumbs from their door. Much more do I prefer to read than write, but, sir, such letters as the one of Mr. Wm. Toomes, of Farmington, Ia., headed: "Charges the Negro of the South," that appeared in the issue of the 24th, ult., stired me to say at least a few words in defense of the millions of the race residing below Mason and Dixon. I have experience that causes me to know the condition of the Negro, North, South, East and West.

Mr. Toomes says the Negros South are all divided and prejudiced toward the North. I frankly admit that the Negro North, South, East, West, or wherever you find him, lacks that amount of unity that should exist. This is true North, South, East or West. Allow me to say, that nowhere on God's green earth will you find the Negro so damnably divided as in the North. Here in the South we are more united, love each other more, and feel the cares of each other and the race more (as a general rule) than the Negro North. I take great pride in being a Southern Negro. From observation it is reasonable to suppose the Negro North prides in bringing about a dividing line in his race upon the discrimination of color.

With all the education, beauty, morality and attraction possessed by our dear girls, whose only future prospects must be wrought by our hands, yet these great light holders of the North, with paste-board collars and white shirts, turn their backs upon the charms of their race. He can find none to take for better or for worse except some poor, old, scalwag, outcast, pot hustler, with her red nose, blue eyes and long hair. Think it a great honor to go to the dung hill of same other nationality, and pick up their fourth, fifth and sixth class females. These great Royal Knights of the Razor, or Fellows of the Tray Chasing association leave their sisters and daughters and their neighbors' sisters and daughters to eke out their existence as best they can. Then they are great teachers, leaders and powerful moguls, harping on the division of the Negro South, at the same time the Negros North are Creoles, Spaniard, Mexican, Indian, or anything on God's earth but what they are.

Try to get away from the race at every possible opportunity. They draw the color line in their own midst; bind themselves into Blue Vein societies, Octoroon clubs, and other clubs the male members of which must have white wives, and lots of other such degrading, damnable nonesense. Mr. Tooms, who I hope is not guilty of any of the foregoing, says: "We are willing to help, but don't know where to commence."

Help! Help who? If you refer to helping the race, I can tell you where to begin. Begin at home, and teach your people that their females are to be prized as highly as any other. In this way you will bring about more unity in the North. Also teach them that if a man is as black as the hinges of hell in complexion, he is just as much a man as the one who is as white as the snow flake. In this way you will remove some of the prejudice up there. While North I have seen some poor fool Negroes that thought it a breach of loyality (?) to speak to another of their race, or tip their hat to one of their females while they were in the company or presence of the other race.

While North I walked the soles off my shoes trying to obtain a clerkship in a drug store. I applied to those whose proprietors were both white and Negroes. My color was against me. After failing in this, I condescended to try some restaurants owned by my people for a place as waiter. In these or some of them I was told that white girls improved their business.

While North I have had my hair cut often in shops whose owners and whose artists where white. But it is sad, to have to say that often I have gone into shops owned and operated by my own race and received insults because my hair was not straight and color not white.

Mr. Toomes spoke of us eating at side tables and riding in Jim Crow cars. Why, sir, we do not have to eat at side, back or kitchen tables. We have our own hotels, restaurants and houses. Those poor fools of us who choose to eat at some white man's side table just for the sake of mixing or being with the white folks, ought to be imported North where Negroes marry white scrubs just for the sake of mixing or being with side-tabled white folks.

O, yes, we ride in Jim Crow cars. We are reluctantly submitting to such unjust discrimination. Reluctantly so, not because we choose to sit side of or ride in a coach with any white man or woman. They don't have to make laws to keep those of us who honor our race and selves away from them. But my God, if the Negro a few years ago had taken his shot gun and protected his family, his daughters and his sisters, and kept them off of him we would not now be so divided North, South, East and West. We care not to ride in their coaches. But because our dollar is just as much dollar as the white man's dollar, we demand equal accommodation. Give us a first-class coach, and the white man can begin to sit on the tender of the mogul and sit all the way back to the rear (our coach excluded) if he pleases.

To-day finds us exerting every effort to bring about a change in such laws that oppress us. I see no brighter prospect for the masses of us, North or West, as Mr. Toomes invites us. He says come and live like men and women. I cannot see how we can so live with such hellish desires of the general Negro up there to become white, with every door to industry barred and locked with a double combination.

All of us cannot be barbers, waiters, bell boys or bootblacks, neither do we so desire, and even if we did the Irish girl is taking the waiters's place. Barber, bell boy and bootblack positions are being seized by white men and boys. Talk about a $30.00 suit of clothes being as near heaven as the Negro aspires! I would say those are my sentiments, too, if Mr. Toomes would reserve his application for that section, above the Mason & Dixon line, and add the "white wife" to his sentence.

Search your school statistics, count the number of students in your high schools, academies, universities and seminaries, and see if three-fourths of all Negro graduates and students are not direct from the South or sons and daughters of Southern people.

The Negro South can go East, North, West or to Africa if he desires. He works hard, produces the race's financiers, thinkers, students, orators, etc. He practices professions, fills positions of trust and therefore makes money.

Those of us that are saving and can hold on to what we make, see plainly that the South is the place of all places in America for the masses of Negroes. We are striving to work out a future for our race. When the time comes that we are shut out of the Southern factories, mills, mines, etc., then we will "get up and get" if we are not able to master higher callings. We are not at all prejudiced to the North, neither to the Negro of the North, but we do hate to see some of them such big block heads.

I am for the race,
W. E. STERRS, M. D.
Decatur, Ala.

Closed School.

Bermuda, Ark., Special.

Prof. D. P. Reed has closed his school at Bermuda, Ark., where he taught for two sessions with marked success.

FASHIONABLE CHURCH WORSHIP.

Said Christ our Lord, "I will go and see
How the men, my brethren, believe in me."
He passed not again through the gate of birth,
But made himself known to the children of earth,

Then said the chief priests, and rulers, and kings,
"Behold, now, the Giver of all good things;
Go to, let us welcome with pomp and state
Him who alone is mighty and great."

With carpets of gold the ground they spread
Wherever the Son of Man should tread,
And in palace chambers lofty and rare
They lodged him, and served him with kingly fare.

Great organs surged through arches dim
Their jubilant floods in praise of him;
And in church, and palace, and judgment hall,
He saw his own image high over all.

But still, wherever his steps they led,
The Lord in sorrow bent his head.
And from under the heavy foundation-stones,
The Son of Mary heard bitter groans.

And in church, and palace, and judgement-hall,
He marked great fissures that rent the wall,
And opened wider yet more wide
As the living foundation heaved and sighed.

Have ye founded your thrones and altars, then,
On the bodies and souls of living men?
And think ye that building shall endure,
Which shelters the noble and crushes the poor.
—JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

CHARMING DELEGATES.

A Successful Convention — Quarterly Meeting Next Sunday.

Marion, Ind., Special.

Misses Nora and Margaret Roberts and Mr. Ezra Roberts of Kokomo, and Miss Mary Hornaday of Peru were delegates to the Christian Endeavor convention here. The C. E. convention was a grand success in every particular; the delegates numbering almost four hundred. Among these were some of the brainiest talent of the seventh district. Miss Sadie J. Nickols was called to Elgin, Ill. last Monday; her sister Mrs. John A. Ward is very sick. Rev. H. H. Thompson will hold his quarterly meeting here the second Sunday of April. John Will Burton, who has been suffering quite a while with rheumatism, is recovering slowly. One of the happiest souls of Marion is Elsworth Holiday, he has an eight pound boy. William Hoyser is handling standard bred horses, on the Joug Carl farm, Will is a good man with horses; you can find him near soldiers' home. J. M. Nichols, agent of The Freeman is on the sick list. The African Amen league met on the 29th at Baptist chapel. A. Y. King will soon begin school at Weaver, Ind, spring term. Moses Anderson is captain of the Uniform Rank, they drill every Tuesday evening at Matter's hall. Do not miss reading The Freeman; though they were late getting in this week, there were more calls than we could supply; it is a race paper. See J. M. Nichols and subscribe for The Freeman. I. T. Smith was heard from on his way to Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gill celebrated their sixth anniversary with a big dinner; some of the distinguished guests were W. E. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. William Harper and others.

One Honest Man.

DEAR EDITOR:—Please inform your readers that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter the plan pursued by which I was permanently restored to health and manly vigor, after years of suffering from nervous weakness, night losses and weak, shrunken parts. I have no scheme to extort money from any one whomsoever. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but, thank heaven, I am now well, vigorous and strong, and anxious to make this certain means of cure known to all. Have nothing to sell nor send C. O. D. I want no money. Address, Jas. A. Harris, Delray, Mich., Drawer 99.

Will Organize a School.

Princeton, Ala., Special.

John Murray and wife have been to Gurleys to attend the examination of the colored school and also to note the progress of their little daughter, Mattie, they were well pleased with the exercises. Prof. J. M. Rice of Gurley's visited John Murray of Princeton, Ala. Prof. Rice likes our country fine, and is trying to organize a good school for us. I am sorry to say Mr. Editor the majority of the patrons are not interested as they should be here about a school. Our people some of them forget they must educate their sons and daughters; an education is their only prop in this life. It seems that spring has chased winter away the trees are budding beautifully and the birds are beginning to twitter their sweet spring songs. The Freeman comes regular.

CHIEF SECRETARY BRYANT,

Of the N. E. R. C., Calls The Attention of Members to

Some Important Matters — Bishop Turner Overworked—Funds for Publication of Minutes Lacking.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

The work of the N. E. R. C. goes steadily on and a healthful and vigorous element of the race seem determined to unite on common ground and successfully push the battle for right and justice to victory. Every week finds the number of Councils augmented and the sober, second thoughted people enlisting under its banner. May I through your columns call attention to several facts worthy of the immediate consideration of the race.

1. The Chief Councillor, Bishop Turner, is overcrowded with work, so much so that it is fast telling on him, and all parties interested in Council matters will please write me on business concerning organization, work, etc., in order that the Bishop's labors in that line may be lightened. Many, very many, letters that are written him are forwarded to me, and if they were directed to this office would save time, worry and expense.

2. The minutes of the Cincinnati National Congress have not been put in press on account of the shortness of finance. Only three delegates have responded to the report of Committee on Printing and to cards sent out from this office. The Chief Secretary hopes to go to press sometime in the near future.

3. Local Equal Rights Councils will proceed with their organizations as set forth in circular letter, and write this office for any instructions they may desire.

4. No one is a valid member of the organization until they are in possession of a "certificate of membership," which can only be obtained from this office. The price of said certificate is three cents, and two cents for mailing (five cents). Organizer and officers of Local Councils will take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

5. Senatorial Councillors will please inform this office of what progress they are making in their respective states, and forward names of individuals who will push the work of organization.

6. The Senatorial Council will be convened either in latter part of May or month of June, due and timely notice will be given of time and place.

"Awake! Arise! or be forever fallen."—Milton.
"God helps those who help themselves."
—Mathews.

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PRESIDENT B. T. WASHINGTON

Invited To Lecture Before The Political Science Club of Cornell University.

"President Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee (Ala.) Normal and Industrial Institute, has made such an impression in the East by an address before the Contemporary Club, of Philadelphia, where he spoke on "The Status of the Negro in the South," that he has been invited to deliver the same address before the Political Science Club of Cornell University. Mr. Washington is rapidly becoming recognized as the best representative educator of his race, and he can also give the Cornell students some points that may benefit even white men. One thing these young men of Cornell could learn from Mr. Washington is that there is no hazing at Tuskegee. Mr. Washington went to that little Alabama city with violent prejudices against him and his Negro school, but there are nowhere warmer friends of the institution than the white men of Tuskegee, who regard it as a model in the deportment of its students. The Cornell boys ought to learn something about the way Negroes attend college without at the same time becoming young ruffians."—Inter-Ocean.

Queen Esther Court in Full Regalia.

Decatur, Ala., Special.

The people of Decatur are alive and looking forward to the elevation of its race with profound interest. Rev. J. H. Hoard, Pastor of the A. M. E. church was attending delegate to the International Migration convention which met in Birmingham on the 21st. Easter services were held on Sunday the 25th ult. at Twin City hall, by Beaulah lodge No. 52 I. O. I. The lodge left the hall on Lower Bank St at 2:15, marched up Bank to Vine, counter-marched down Bank to Lafayette, out Lafayette to Oak, down Oak to the hall The procession was headed by the J. J. Sykes' coronet band, under the leadership of Prof. James A. Sanders. Regardless of the inclement weather the hall was packed to its fullest capacity; the sermon was preached by Rev. Heard, pastor of the A. M. E. church. Queen Esther's Court were out in full uniform, bringing up the rear in carriages. It is said by witnesses that it was the grandest procession that ever paraded the streets of the city. D. L. Banks, son of Mathew and Eliza Banks, was brought home, by the writer, from Louisville, Ky., on March, 7th, died March, 14th. Miss Ella Brown was telegraphed, and came hundreds of miles to witness the interment. On her return to Louisville, she was confronted again with death, her cousin dying on the 26th inst. On Monday, March, 26, Miss Samantha Boalware married John McDonald, one of the merchants of the town; the ceremony took place in Athens, Ala. Mr. McDonald was to have been married to another lady of this place on Sunday April the 1st. The Freeman has a great many admirers in our little town, also a live and energetic little agent in the person of Charlie Jefferson who labors faithfully to place a copy in the hands of every family that loves race pride and Negro literature, as it is the greatest medium through which the Afro-American can understand each other.

D. W. Mc.

Egg Breaking.

Leadville, Colo., Special.

Easter Sunday was appropriately observed by the A. M. E Sunday school by quite a lengthy program. There was a large attendance. After the services by the Sunday school the Rev. J. H. Bohanan preached an eloquent sermon. There was an egg breaking at the A. M. E. church Monday evening for the trustees. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tumblin went to Colorado Springs, Monday. John Hedspath has returned from California. Mrs. Ella Parris is on the sick list. Several of our politicans who voted against Woman's Suffrage have been converted, among whom are J. W. Smith and H D. Johnson, and there are more to follow. That's right gentlemen, come on, don't be ashamed to do the right, for there is no use throwing yourself in the way of the wheel of progress, for it will surely grind you down, to keep up with the times.

Sister Sweet Speaks.

Julious, Ark., Special.

I visited Rev. M. Prudes' church, at Vincent, Ark., lately, and I find he is loved by his church. Sister Sweet, a lady Missionary, gave an address upon the Bible recently.

REV. WM. DAVIS.

A FOURTEEN YEAR OLD FRIEND.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space in your valuable paper, for this is the first time I have ever written to you. My father takes The Freeman and I love the paper. I am ready for geography and grammar, and am studying U. S. History and U. S. Land Survey, and soon will be ready for the fourth arithmetic. I am 14 years old. I am going to be a school teacher and be some service to my race if God will my helper.

LOUIS DAVIS,
Julius, Ark.

Remembered Their Old Pastor.

Athens, O., Special.

The Misses Anna and Cora Jones, of Parkersburg, W. Va., were recent guests of Miss Lucie E. Hill. Rev. G. W. Curry, of Deleware, O, the pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, of this place, while here a few days, a host of friends gave him a donation of groceries and dry goods to the amount of $30, and $9 in cash Much credit is due Superintendent A. J. Hayse, of the Mt. Zion Sunday school, for the grand Easter services. The church was beautifully bedecked with flowers and evergreen. The principal feature was the exercises conducted by Miss Hattie Hill. Several ladies and gentlemen of this place attended the grand entertainment recently held at Nelsonville. Miss Sophia Whitefield beautifully entertained Miss Lucie Hall and Misses Cora and Anna Jones at tea lately.

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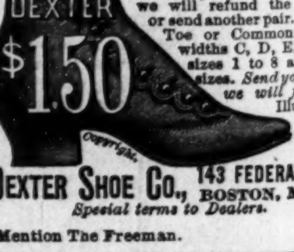

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KINDERGARTENS OR PRISONS

BY ELIZABETH H. BAKER,

Matron of The Free Colored Kindergarten, Nashville, Tenn.

"The hand of the Lord was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,

"And caused me to pass by them round about, and behold there were very many in the open valley; and lo, they were very dry.

"And he said unto me, son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord God, thou knowest.

"Again he said unto me, prophesy upon these dry bones, and say unto them: O ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord." Ez. XXXVII, 1-4.

"FORMATION, NOT REFORMATION."

The hope of the future lies in the children. The foundation stones of the Kindergarten are the two aphorisms quoted at the head of this article.

At the late Prison Congress many excellent plans were advanced for the rescuing of youthful and unfortunate criminals. The per cent. of crime seems reduced almost to a minimum from the native white population. The very large majority of criminals comes from the foreign immigrants and from the uncultured masses of the colored people of the South.

Note from Tourgee's statement of the question: "The per cent. of criminals from among the colored population would be vastly less if the colored man had justice meeted out to him, and likewise there would be an increase on the part of the white population."

Let us not be misunderstood. The colleges and universities of the South are doing a noble work for the colored people. But taking the per cent of attendance, twenty white families are represented in college to one colored family.

The majority of colored children lack the refinement and culture that comes only from a refined and highly educated mother. A great many men take the higher collegiate courses. The young ladies are usually satisfied with a Normal course. It is our anxious thought that this shall not be true of coming generations. The child of an ignorant mother is dwarfed and twisted by her superstitions and by her unregulated and evil propensities.

We heard of a woman in New York whose posterity has cost the state hundreds of thousands of dollars. About 100 years ago, she, a neglected orphan, was picked up by roving gypsies. With them, she led an idle and vicious life. Only about four out of a hundred have been respectable citizens. The other 96 per cent. have been thieves, drunkards, murderers, prostitutes, convicts, etc.

Suppose some one had cared for that orphan child, put her in a Kindergarten, where she would have learned to use her hands in making pretty articles, where she would have had opportunity to indulge her love for pretty colors and music, where she would have been taught to love God and purity, not only her life but hundreds of others would have been saved to respectability and usefulness here and to happiness throughout all eternity. A thousand dollars, which could easily be given by a man worth $40,000, would save many such neglected little ones.

And what a reward to the giver! For these are all God's children, entrusted to us to bring up for Him. Heredity is not fate. "A good heredity is a grand gift from God," but, thank God, all the little children are His in an especial sense, and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is abundantly able to wipe out the worst heredity. Ezekiel shows that "all souls are in God's hands and the possibility of deliverance from evil lies in that fact"

In the Kindergarten the weekly lessons on scientific temperance, the stirring temperance songs, the temperance Bible verses committed to memory, crystalized later into the temperance pledge, will prove a tripple coat of mail to resist the severest shock.

From the last city reports we gather 56 white girls between the ages of 10 and 20 were arrested and 452 colored girls, the population being about equally divided. Now, going back to the Prison Congress, we find that they made an earnest appeal for the establishment of Free Kindergartens, where the little children shall be surrounded by a pure religious atmosphere and feel the nobility of labor and industry.

In visiting the Kindergarten of Indianapolis I found a room full of babies, 1 and 2 years of age. Three sides of the room were surrounded by sand tables filled with clean sand. The little ones sat beside these and made hills and gardens, filled with beautiful dyed grass and artificial flowers, set up rows of wooden soldiers, made block houses and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Every one was quiet and orderly, and as this was in one of the poorest sections of the city, no doubt if these same children had been at home, they would have been peevish, quarreling and meddlesome. So with these 452 girls, if they had had the advantages of the Kindergarten training, nearly all would have become peaceable, industrious women.

Statistics from the Free Kindergartens of San Francisco show that out of 14,000 children who have passed through them and their lives watched afterward, only one has been charged with crime, though they were from the lowest portion of the city.

Wake up friends, wake up, those who are chasing the almighty dollar, and give chase to precious souls. Who can tell how much good these 452 girls might have done in the world? There are thousands more just as neglected who would make grand women, cultured mothers, fruitful missionaries in heathen lands. Wake up, for God's sake, wake up, and help train these girls for humanity.

PROF. W. H. COUNCIL

Gives the Negroes of His Section Some Good Advice.

Saturday, March, 11th, found the county court house comfortably filled with colored men from this and adjoining counties. Dr. B. E. Scruggs, of this city, was called to preside and Prof. S. J. B. Carter was elected secretary. The Secretary made and able speech which was warmly received.

Prof. W. H. Council being called on, read the following object and purposes of the meeting, which were unanimously adopted as the sentiments of the meeting:

Whereas, We the colored men of this section have met to consider plans to—

1. Lift up the masses of the Negro population in our midst in their home life.

2 To encourage better system of farming among our people.

3 To encourage thrift and frugality among us.

4 To arouse a deeper interest in education.

5. To encourage colored men in business and the professions.

6. To seek to bring back and cultivate the love of the white man for the black man. For it is a lamentable fact that the white man's heart has been going away from the black man for many years, and the alleged outrages committed by black men upon white women has kindled a fire against the Negroes which if not speedily counteracted will grow in intensity and destructiveness along many lines.

7. To improve our labor in competency and reliability, for the near future will see the inauguration of a conflict more terrible and wide-spread than the mob or "Jim Crow Car"—the battle over the loaf. Skill and honesty will win against ignorant and unreliable labor.

Farming, properly conducted, is both pleasant and profitable, and as the great majority of our people in the South are engaged in agricultural pursuits, common sense would dictate the wisdom of lifting up this element of the masses and dignifying their calling. To this end we recommend that this Congress consider:

1. The importance of fertilizers and the "compost pile."

2. The cultivation of soil as well as the cultivation of crops.

3. Small but well cultivated crops.

4. The loss of Saturday, or the habit of spending Saturdays in idleness.

5. The relation of tenant and landlord—their reciprocal obligations and mutual interests.

6. Better schools. 1, By the State; 2, By local communities. A rigid enforcement of the poll tax law.

7. Rigid enforcement of wise vagrant laws to build up society and prevent crime. Individual production should equal individual consumption.

8. Buying, improving and adorning lands and homes. The home, alone, makes true men and women. True courage and manhood come only from the clean, christian home, and no people can be elevated above their homes.

We congratulate our people upon the grand attainments of the last thirty years. Wonderful progress has been made in education and in the industries. Hundreds of professional men and women as well as artisans, mechanics, merchants and inventors are found all over the land, a credit to the race and government, churches and school houses have gone up with amazing rapidity, and nearly $300,000,000 in real and personal property accumulated.

We are deeply grateful to our friends of the white race, North and South, for kind and considerate treatment, for generous aid in all the avenues of progress and the warm christian fellowship extended by the lofty in spirit and heart. But we must remember that God helps them who help themselves

Rev. F. H. Goodman of Florence, Prof. J. F. Humphrey, of the city schools, Esquire J. J. Smith, W. P. Williams, Dr. C. O. Boothe, Henry Bolden, Joseph Burton, R. H. Cravitt and others made pointed speeches full of sound advice calculated to elevate the masses of their race.

It was decided to hold quarterly meetings of the farmers of the counties to discuss their interests.

Dr. Scruggs and Prof. Carter were elected permanent officers for one year, who shall call and provide for the quartely meetings.—Daily Murcury, Huntsville, Ala.

THE COMING MAN.

A pair of very chubby legs
  Incased in scarlet hose;
A pair of little stubby boots,
  With rather doubtful toes;
A little kilt, a little coat,
  Cut as a mother can—
And lo! before us stands in state
  The future's "coming man."

His eyes, perchance, will read the stars
  And search their unknown ways;
Perchance the human heart and soul
  Will open to their gaze;
Perchance their keen and flashing glance
  Will be a nation's light—
Those eyes that now are wistful bent
  On some "big fellow's" kite.

Those hands—those little, busy hands—
  So sticky, small, and brown;
Those hands, whose only mission seems
  To pull all order down—
Who knows what hidden strength may be
  Concealed within their grasp?
Though now 'tis but a taffy stick
  In sturdy hold they clasp.

Ah, blessings on those little hands,
  Whose work is yet undone!
And blessings on those little feet,
  Whose race is yet unrun!
And blessings on the little brain,
  That has not learned to plan!
Whate'er the future hold in store,
  God bless the "coming man!"

—THE BEACON.

SUNDAY BUGGY RIDING

Dangerous—Decorated With Sweet Flowers, Enlivened by Singing Birds.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.

The Grand Jury began its session this week and crap shooters, poker players, and tin horn sports it id omni genus, are scampering for other scenes. Easter came and went with us as with rest of creation; it is a day for extra religious services. Churches were decorated with evergreen, flowers and in one case with canary birds, whether the decorators had received inspiration from a late reading of "Winged Worshipers" or not, I do not pretend to know. What connection there is between the twitter of a canary and the "Jubilate Deo" this scribe is not wise enough to decipher. Roanoke church made the occasion one for a special financial effort. The result whereof was very gratifying. The Epworth League rendered an extra program. The hearts of the flock over which Elder S. M. Fisher has the over sight are being made lighter because their shepherd's vacation is drawing to a close and soon pastor and people will be again united. Mt. Canaan church was disappointed in the coming of Evangelist C. P. Hughes he being busy conducting a great revival at Pine Bluff. The Odd Fellow's hall, on Guepher St. is in process of erection under the formanship of Mr. Marre. Two deaths, the result of Sunday buggy riding, occured in our city recently. One, a colored woman, the other, a white man. We, not long since, enjoyed a visit from Prof. J. A. Booker, who lectured on the "Church problems which confront the race." The lecture was calculated to put the minds of the thoughtful to work, for certainly we are confronted with serious problems in our religious life. J. W. C., J. C. and S. M. three want-to-be-married-again widowers, and J. J. D. and P. F. D. two please-give-us-one-chance bachelors are having a lively time as to who shall make the first and best hit, in the line uppermost in their thoughts. They ought to have their photos in The Freeman; this would enlarge their circle of chances. Prof. S. S. Brown, with his philosophian hight, is doing the thing up "brown." That "Trio" sung at the Epworth league, last Sunday ought to be heard again at the mid-winter exposition. It would carry off the honors, sure.

A Double Wedding.

Pasquo, Tenn., Special.

Our quarterly conference convenes the 7th of April, conducted by Rev. G. L. Jackson, P. E., of the North Nashville district. Two festivals were given for that purpose, Saturday night the 24th ult., viz.: Woodfork Chapel and St. Andrew's Chapel. Two couples were joined in wedlock at St. Andrew's the 15th ult., viz.: Giles Allison and Laura Bradford, Odie Greer and Mattie Allison. Many admirers were present, while Miss Johhnie E Horton of Nashville, Tenn., sang tenderly, "Nearer my God to Thee," as the brides and grooms strode in and halted before the sacred rostrum, where H. L. P. Jones officiated, and from thence to the bride's residence where a nice table was enjoyed. Lerry Allison's baby is dangerously sick and has been for some time. A nice audience assembled at Pleasant Hill the 25th to hear the Easter sermon rendered by Rev. Jones, Matt. XXVIII—6. The noted school teacher, Miss J. E. Horton, appeared in the rear. Bro. Freeman Green feels the impressing spirit to be one of God's embassadors; he is a coming young man. William Hughes and Jas. Allison are promising young men.

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Information wanted of my mother, father and two sisters, names: Caroline, Vincent, Harriet and Caroline. I saw them last about thirty years ago in Lexington, Ky., near College hill. I was called by them "Quincy." My name is John Quincy Adams Bradley; I lived with Henry Clark in Lexington, Ky., at that time. Address all information to S. D. Jackson, Pensacola, Fla.

I would like to know of the whereabouts of my mother by the name of Bettie La Mott; married a man by the name of Yaricks Crookshank. I was sold to Jim Deaver, at Giles Co Tenn. The last time I heard from her, she was in Charleston, S. C., at 36 Archidel street, in the year of 1847 A. D. Yours Respectfully, Teaner Deaver, Augusta, Woodruff Co., Ark. In care of J. P. Penn.

Robert Brown, son of Harriett Brown, formerly owned by Mrs. Cornelius Lucas, of Falmouth, Stafford county, Va., wants the name and address of anyone who knows the whereabout of his grandfather, Elijah Brown; his grand uncle, Edward Brown; his brother, Wm. Brown; or any information that will lead to their discovery. These relative all, at one time, belonged to Mrs. Cornelius Lucas, of Falmouth, Va. Address W. R. B. Alexander, Hot Springs, South Dakota. Papers please copy.

Information wante of Sally and Henry Carey, children of Burrel and Frances Carey, who were formerly slaves of Wm. Robinson, of Woodville, Rappahannock county, Virginia. Burrel Carey left his home in 1856 and settled in Pennsylvania, where he amassed considerable property. These children are said to have been refugeed South during the war, and if living now would be aged about 47 years. It would be of great advantage to them if they could be found. Address, Rev. Jno. C. Brock, 530 E. Miner street, West Chester, Pa.

I would like to find my people. I was called Susan Burrus in Virginia; I belonged to the widow Burrus. The widow Burris had a son, Dr. John L. Burrus; his sisters, May, Liza and Caroline. My mother was named Rachel. She belonged to Dr. John L. Burrus My father was named Martin. I had two sisters, Mary Jane and Louisa; three brothers, Jim, Carter and Dave; my uncles, Harles and Henry; my cousins are Mark, Joe, Hunter, Millie and Margarett. Address, if you please, Susan Anderson, Mineola, Tex.

I would like to find my relatives. I was born in Virginia and belonged to a man named Lewis Davis. I was about 9 years old when I left Virginia. There were four sisters of us, Caroline, Becky, Sallie and I. My father's name was Bob Reed, and my mother's name was Patsy Reed. She belonged to Lewis Davis in Virginia. My father did not belong to Lewis Davis. Robert Allen Davis sold Becky, and Lewis sold Caroline and also her sister Lucy. I had two brothers, John and Frederick. Brother John was married to a lady by the name of Jennie Payne. If anyone can give any information of the above named persons, please address at once Lucy Mead, or her son, Sandy Anderson, Mineola, Wood county, Tex.

I would like to find my people. I was born in the county of Summerset, Md.; my mother was named Peggy Anderson; she belonged to John Anderson. I had three brothers with myself to come to Texas, Charles, Horace and I; I left two more in Maryland, Alex and Sandy. I was sold to a man named John Sanders, in Maryland. Roberson sold me to Judge Perkins in Louisiana. My brother George got drowned. I had two sisters who I left in Maryland, Sarah Ann and Malinda, and had an aunt by the name of Harriet. She belonged to a man named Morris Adams. I had three uncles, Frank, Arthur and George. If any one can give any information of these persons, please address Henry Anderson or his son Sandy Anderson Mineola, Wood county, Tex.

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COXEY AND HIS ARMY.

Coxey and his army of daily augmented ranks is still moving towards Washington, that paradise of ambitious politicians and Mecca of decayed and lecherous statesmen. Of all the queer spectacles of this queer age of startling innovations this march of the "Commonweal" is quite the queerest. And yet, don't you know that most of the great results, the bloodless revolutions, and we may add the bloody article also, had a beginning in what was looked upon and dubbed by the "polite classes" of the day as the chimerical wild-eyed fancies of queer people, laboring under queer and uncalled for motives to action, as is said of Coxey and his tattered army of "cranks" to day. The spirit of unrest which precipitated the gathering of the States-General, which in turn precipitated the French revolution, which in turn banished the tyranny of king craft, one-man power forever and a day, as it seems, from the empire of Charlemagne and Clovis, was very like the spirit, excepting the savage attachments, that induced Coxey to issue his pronounciamento that urged the ragged, hungry and lazy hordes of idlers to start on what is really their laughable and ridiculous tramp to Washington. Laughable and ridiculous sure, but who is prophet enough to forecast the result? What slumbering principle having to do with the neglected rights of the masses, may not be regalvinized into life and set the nation's conscience into motion, not to be quieted until great reforms are started and consummated even though it be through blood and pain? These be queer men, we say again, and the burden of their complaint seems a queer and uncalled for manifesto, but gentlemen this is a queer age and queer things are happening all around us with each passing day. The Barons who wrung Magna Charta from King John at Runnymeade were no doubt considered queer people and set down as cranks in the first instance, but when will mankind cease to pluck the fruit of their queerness or pay the debt their undaunted persistence rolled up against it? The men who threw the tea in Boston harbor were cranks no doubt, and devilish treasonable ones, in the estimation of George of England, et al, but history calls them patriots now. John Brown and his handful of devoted followers were cranks, but eternal blessings upon their memory, their souls are marching on, they builded better than they dreamed, than this sin polluted nation dreamed, they kindled a spark which grew into a blaze, became a conflagration, guided by the light of which, men marched to death and glory, and when all was over, when the revolution against wrong which started in the cranky brain of Brown at Ossawotamie and was ended by Grant at Appomattox, was accomplished, a nation had taken a new lease upon life, a race of slaves had become a race of free men. Again we remark this is a queer age you and I are living in, queer things are happening every day, and queer as Coxey and his followers are, who can tell what events are undeveloped beyond them?

LINCOLN AS A POET.

Shakespeare said, 'The evil a man does lives after him, the good is oft interred with his bones." Proof is not lacking that 'Shak" knew what he was talking about as he generally did, however, neitner are instances lacking to prove that occasionally the "good" that was not known of a man or more lamentable was buried with his bones is resurrected. Two recent instances in point. The Cosmopolitan Magazine for April publishes for the first time a story by Napoleon Bonaparte over a hundred years old, while John G. Nicolay furnishes the Century with a poem written by the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, in his early manhood days, which now for the first time sees light. The probabilities are that Mr. Lincoln was not cut out for a great poet, no more than Bonaparte was for a great romancer, nevertheless there is something reassuring in the new and undreamed of glimpses given of these two great and remarkable men. The following opening verses will give you some idea of Lincoln as a poet:

"My childhood's home I see again,
And sadden with the view;
And still, as memory crowds my brain,
There's pleasure in it, too.

"O memory! thou midway world
'Twixt earth and paradise,
Where things decayed and loved ones lost
In dreamy shadows rise.

"And, freed from all that's earthly vile,
Seem hallowed, pure and bright,
Like scenes in some enchanted isle
All bathed in liquid light."

THE DRINK PROBLEM.

The New York Morning Advertiser discussing the drink problem, has views somewhat original as to the course best calculated to check if not entirely restrain the evil. The Advertiser claims the man guilty of an abuse of the habit of drink more open to restriction and punishment than the man who deals in the poison for profit. Now there's something in this, and to assist you in seeing it, read our Eastern contemporaries opinion:

The evils of intemperance in anything, and especially in the use of intoxicants, have been flourished before the eyes of the world for ages, one may say, yet they have not frightened man away from indulgence in them. It ought to be clear to anybody that if there were no appetite for stimulants there would be no demand for them, and if no demand there would be no supply.

It is probably no less trne that if by a stroke of omnipotence, so to speake, every trace of alcohol could be stricken out of the world in the twinkling of an eye, that appetite would find a substitute for it. And the inference from this is a universal one—namely, that man must be taught to govern his appetites of all kinds or take the consequences, and that when we try to control the appetites of all alike by any given rule we violate that principle of individual liberty which is more vital to human welfare than sobriety of habit.

It is probable that Mr. Tekulsky is right in saying that the saloons are much what society at large makes them. If their worst patrons dominate our politics it is largely because we who are not saloon patrons neglect our duties

It is a proposition that admits of no dispute that if nobody abused liquor there would be no intoxication and no "liquor question." Suppose society turns its attention on the man who is guilty of the abuse rather than the man who is tempted by the profit the abuse makes possible to go into the trade. Transfer the odium and the punishment from the dealer to the drinker. Would not this be justice? And isn't it worth while to inquire into what would be the effect?

A CHUNK OF TRUTH AND SOUND REFLECTION.

"Be not deceived, our friends are few among Caucasians, and are not confined to any one locality, and when they are discovered, let our self-respect and sterling worth hold them. The Negro as a suppliant for favor is less objectionable to the whites than when he as a man demands manhood rights.

'The evil that men do lives after them,'

"The institution which fostered wrong is dead, but its baleful influences survive it, which time alone can efface.

"We are not of those who believe that the practices and experiences of two centuries and a half can be blotted out by the events of thirty years."—Ex-Minister John H. Smyth's paper, "The Reformer."

THE two sensations of the day are the Breckinridge trial, and the Democratic Congress sweating blood in its futile efforts to conduct the affairs of a nation.

THE OLD CLAY PIPE.

There's a lot of solid comfort
In an old clay pipe, I find
If you're kind of out of humor
Or in trouble in your mind.
When you're feeling awful lonesome
And don't know just what to do,
There's a heap of satisfaction
If you smoke a pipe or two.
The ten thousand pleasant memories
That are buried in your soul,
Are playing hide and seek with you
Around that smoking bowl.
These are mighty restful moments;
You're at peace with all the world
And the panorama changes
As the thin blue smoke is curled.

Now you cross the bridge of sorrows,
Now you enter pleasant lands,
And before an open doorway
You will linger to shake hands
With a lithe and girlish figure
That is coming through the door;
Oh, you recognize the features;
You have seen that face before.
You are at the dear old homestead
Where you spent those happy years;
You are romping with the children;
You are smiling through your tears;
You have fought and whipped the bully;
You are eight and he is ten.
Oh! how rapidly we travel.
You are now a boy again.

You approach the open doorway,
And before the old armchair
You will stop and kiss the grandma,
You will smooth the thin, white hair;
You will read the open Bible,
For the lamp is lit, you see,
It is now your hour for bedtime,
And you kneel at mother's knee.
Still you linger at the hearthstone;
You are loath to leave the place,
When an apple cut's in progress;
You must wait and dance with Grace.
What's the matter with the music?
Only this: The pipe is broke,
And the thousand pleasant fancies
Vanish promptly with the smoke.

—A. B. VAN FLEET, in, N. Y. Sun.

VALE BRUCE, HAIL TAYLOR!

In the change at last announced in the control of the office of RECORDER of DEEDS of the DISTRICT of COLUMBIA, we congratulate both Mr. Bruce and Mr. Taylor. MR. BRUCE, that in accordance with all of his public record, he leaves this office absolutely without a breath of accusation following him as to the cleanness and uprightness of its management, and MR. TAYLOR, that he has been given an opportunity to accomplish the same good report of himself—presuming always that the Senate will confirm, which we sincerely trust it will possess the unpartizan wisdom to do.

A PEARL OR TWO FROM BISHOP TURNER'S PEN.

The Voice of Missions, Bishop Turner's organ, is one of the most alive and delightful exchanges that comes to our table. Beside numerous features found in the best regulated church journals, it sports an editorial page that contains something other than milk and water homilies on doctrinal matters, etc THE FREEMAN loves conviction, forcible, honest, aggressive conviction. It loves a man who has opinions and convictions, and, having them, has the courage to express them. Every one knows Bishop Turner is just such a man, and whether addressing the multitude from the hustings, preaching Christ from the pulpit or writing leaders for his journal, this trait is plainly dominant, and the man who can't understand him is either as deaf as as a beetle or a fit subject for an asylum. The fighting prelate has so many admirers that we are sure we are making no mistake in giving space to the appended excerps taken at random from the editorial page of the April number of the Voice:

CONCERNING MISSIONARIES.

"We have long maintained that it was foolishness to send a preacher from an annual conference to a congregation, and have to pay his way at the same time. We believe that a man who is fit to be a missionary to Africa ought to possess industry and economy enough here at home to have saved money enough to pay his way to Africa without expense to the church, otherwise he will not have industry and economy enough when he reaches Africa to be of any service."

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REGARDS IT AS NO COMPLIMENT.

"'Bishop, we have procured a carriage or a buggy for you to take a ride. We wish to show you our city, and such and such a beautiful hotel, which has been recently built, and Col. Tom's and Gen'l Dick's magnificent mansion on Upper Ten street, and we know you would be delighted to see our new public school building at the corner of Hightone and White streets.' Such is the language with which we are often greeted when traveling through the country. But let it be understood, that we regard it as no compliment to be driven around to look at the outside of buildings and fine mansions, where dogs, mules, monkeys and Negroes can all take an outside look on equal terms and enjoy equal privileges. We had rather walk around and look at the ordinary houses of colored people, in which we would be welcomed, than to view the outside of mansions, though built of gold, into which we could not enter without being invited or kicked out; and we regard no such carriage or buggy rides a compliment. We would not enjoy a look at the outside of heaven, if Negroes were forbidden to enter on terms of equality. So please spend your money for something else, so far as we are concerned."

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NEGRO ASSES.

"The Negro race is the only race upon the face of the earth who will make fun of their fathers and mothers, and mimic their short comings, knowing at the same time they grew up under the gloom of slavery. You can scarcely turn these days, but what some black or yellow human asses (O, I beg Bishop Lee's pardon), are trying to poke fun at their fathers and mothers about the way they pronounced words, violated the rules of grammar, how they preached, how they sang and even how they dressed, while they are no more to be compared with the fathers and mothers in man and womanhood, stamina, than a hound is to be compared to a lion. The present generation bear no comparison to their fathers. The Negro who came out of slavery was superior to the class who have grown up since, in physical strength, self reliance, common sense, power of endurance, and were not half so cowardly."

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CHURCH HYPOCRITES.

"There are a set of so-called moralists and spotless immaculates in the church who are all the time advertising their own purity and spinning gossip through the land about other people. Thieves, adulterers, drunkards and others of that ilk, we grant, are a bad set, but liars, gossipers, slanderers and back-biters are just as bad in every particular, nor would we be surprised if they are not worse. We believe that liars and gossip-mongers ought simply to be hung until they are dead, dead, dead, by the neck. You can scarcely talk any more in the most friendly manner, about a brother in the church or in the ministry and refer to any incidental seeming defect, but what the party talked to must mount the train and run for life to tell it again and put ten times as much to it. We had rather be a horse thief than a liar or gossip-monger."

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GRUMBLING NEGROES.

"We notice some grumbling in religious circles, among the colored people in Washington City, about the color line being drawn in the Moody and Sankey great revival meeting which has been in progress there.

"You are foolish, my colored brother and sister. You know this is a white man's country, and that he is going to proscribe you, and why don't you let the white people alone? While you are bothering and fretting yourself to death over their color prejudices, you might go to work and get up a big revival yourself. You can sing, pray, preach and shout as loud as white people, and if you are too sinful and mean to do it, it is your fault and not the fault of the whites. We are just as able to have colored Moodys, Sankeys, Sam Joneses, Dr. Munhalls and other great revivalists as the white people are. But, if you had rather go to hell than put forth your own great evangelists, go on and let the white people alone."

DISTINGUISHED DARK SKINNED PEOPLE.

"'M. Heredia, Zola's successful rival for membership of the French Academy, is a mulatto, born in Cuba. It will be remembered that the elder Dumas had a strong strain of Negro blood in his veins.'—New York World.

"Yes, and Mr. Heredia has a cousin, also a mulatto and named Heredia, who, a few years ago, was a French Cabinet Minister. It is such things that takes away the breath of the American, he who boasts of liberty and equal rights in his land. Apropos of the Negro blood in the elder Dumas' veins, the World ought to read what the younger Dumas says of his ancestors in another place in this paper."—The Crusader.

What Dumas, the younger, said was this:

"Mr. A. Dumas, (Alexander Dumas fils) after having read the discourse pronounced in the Cathedral of Autun (France) by Mgr. Perrand, on the abolition of slavery, wrote thus to that prelate: 'No one could remain deaf to this eloquent appeal, and especially one who has to go back but four generations to find Negro slaves among his ancestors. It is therefore not only for our brothers from the standpoint of a Christian that I thank you, Monseigneur, but perhaps also for some real relatives whom I may yet have on those slave ships. I write to the Director of the Society (Anti-Slavery) to count me among the number of its founders.'"—New Orleans Bee.

COMING LITERARY TREAT.

Commencing with our issue of the 14th, we have the honor to announce the commencement of a serial story "Maid And Mistress, A Romance of Two Cousins" written expressly for THE FREEMAN by that gifted writer, Agustus M. Hodges, [B. Square] author of "Fred Jackson's Vow," "A Rolling Stone that gatnered Moss," "The Raise Problem," "Hon. L. Sweitzer, M. C.," etc. From advance pages of the Mss. we are able to promise our readers a rare treat, as "Maid and Mistress" is written in Mr. Hodges very best vein. "Nuff sed."

IT's not every man in public life who possesses the courage to refuse a chance to become a United States Senator, as Speaker Crisp did the other day. We suspect, however, that Bro Crisp 'he smell a mouse" There is no doubt but what Crisp would jump at the chance to become a Senator for the long term, but the Georgia Governor is also ambitious in that direction and looks upon the Speaker as his most formidable rival, how natural then that he should have been willing, if not anxious, to get Bro. Crisp out of the way by "sweetening" him with an appointment to the short term, reserving the long for himself. But

"The best laid plans
Of mice and men
Gang aft a glee."

"THE NEW SOUTH," published at Louisville, Ky., James A. Givens, editor, and "The Negro American Sun," awful name, published at Pittsburg, Pa., has reached us, and will cheerfully be given a place upon our exchange list.

THE sudden demise of Lieut. Jno. H. Alexander, the last Negro but one, we believe, of the commissioned officers in the U. S. Army, was an abrupt ending of what promised to be a useful, brilliant career. Surely death loves a shining mark, and is no respector of time or person.

THE A. M. E Quarterly Review for April, among other good features contains a fine likeness of Rev. J. C. Embry, D. D., Business Manager of the A. M. E. book concern, also a poem, "The Hand of Ethiopia," from the pen of W. H. A. Moore, which alone is worth double the price of the book.

THIS of a distinguished Indiana Senator from a New York morning paper is a most unkind cut.

The fact that Senator Voorhees refused to see Sister Foster's Amazons from New England who wished to discuss the tariff with him does not necessarily imply that he will not see Coxey and his army of Ragged Reubens when they reach Washington, if they ever do. Voorhees is a political Ragged Reubed himself, always has been and always will be.

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MANY IN THE HOSPITAL.

First Picnic of The Season—Most Enjoyable Affair.

Colored Merchants Doing Well—The Y. G. C. R. Entertain—Birthday Party For Little Children—Personals.

Austin, Tex., Special.

Henry Calhoun, who was run over by a wagon on the night of the hail storm of March 15th on E. Sixth St. is at the city hospital. Old Mr. Peter Ringwood, who usually lives with Dr. Wheeler, is also at the city hospital; mostly old age is his trouble, he looks to be in the nineties. Wess Hooker, the old buggy washer at Monroe Miller's stable is out at the hospital but is on the mend. Charles Vance is very ill of the dropsy; he has been confined to his room and bed ever since New Year's, but was complaining two or three months before that time. He is a member of the Masons and will be glad to have them to call. Miss Hattie Vance, his daughter, who was visiting relatives in New Orleans, La., was called home on account of his illness; Drs. McKinley and Commings are waiting on him. Mrs. Add Clemmens is very ill and has been for quite a while, also Mrs. Josephine Washington. Our colored merchants, Wm. Tears, R. Bukes and Edd Corrington are doing a good business according to the hard times; also Allen Bradly with his meat market and Messrs. H. Wilson and G. Black with their woodyard are doing their share of the business. Mrs. Bertha Cook's little daughter, Miss Ellonise, gave a birthday party, April 21, which was one of the nicest parties that has took place in this city for little children. Children from six to twelve years old were invited, and quite a large number too, This birthday makes Miss Ellonise only seven years old, but a smarter little girl you scarcely ever see.

The best and most enjoyable entertainment at St. Anna's Hall this season, was given by the Y. G. C. R, composed of young people from 14 to 18 years; managed by Mr. Am and Mrs. Hester Bramlette. Wednesday March, 21, '94, Tim Hill and Miss Mary Brown were married at the bride's residence in Gregorytown. Joseph Jones and D. Vance, the noted orange packers and Charles Watrous, the "king driver" are employed at the whole sale grocery store of Lee Strassburger and Co. The first picnic this season, gotten up by Misses Mary E. Hamilton and Eva Carrington, Wednesday March, 28th, '94 was a grand one. There was a large, jolly crowd invited and quite a number from Tillotson were also among the invited The crowd met at an early hour at Miss Carrington's residence and then went in vehicles to the beautiful picnic ground, eight miles in the country on the farm of Ed. Carrington, Miss Eva's father. They say all had a lovely time and returned to the city about 5 p. m.

Junior Brass Band.

Ft. Smith, Ark., Special.

The Junior brass band gave an Easter ball at Bridges hall on the 27th. The boys rendered some excellent pieces out in front of the hall. The house was crowded and dancing was the enjoyment of the evening. Mrs. Bridges spread a delicious table, and the entertainment excelled all others. The boys should be given great credit for their rapid progress and their excellent entertainments. They have a good teacher and officers, viz: Ben Woods, president; Lewis Bolin, vice-president; Lee Pryor, treasurer; Emmet Wyley, secretary; W. Frierson, manager. There was a grand concert given at the C. M. E. church under the management of Prof. Jones. The program was most entertaining. The solo by Miss Isom, the duet by Misses Davis and Isom, the essay by Miss Anna Lewis, and the declamation by Miss Maud Bridges were excellent. Little Chester Walker should be commended for his making the best speech of the evening. The boys' and girls' Pleasure club gave a social at Mrs. Nancy Hobbs on the 14th. Many attended and every one enjoyed themselves finely. There was the most excellent Easter exercises at the A. M. E. church. Speeches, dialogues and songs were in order and the program was most entertaining. The eggs were distributed to both scholars and visitors alike and every child was made happy.

FARMERS MUCH DISCOURAGED.

Birthday Party—Nominated For Register—A Successful Rally.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.

The peach, apple and other fruit trees so beautifully bloomed; the wheat, oats and barley fields that waved their green shadows over the earth, now lie lifeless and the farmers look jagged as if from a mid night drunk, all from the result of the cold spell that visited this section as well as other parts of the country, last week. The farmers seem to think that the Deity has turned His back upon them, after just pulling through last year, the toughest ever before experienced in the history of East Tennessee and perhaps the South. They planted an extra heavy crop of both fruit and grain; then to have it killed by the cold, they have been made to cry: "Lord what have we done?" Miss Isidore Gordon died on the 28th ult. which was shortly after her return from Chicago. James Hoard, Sr, a highly respected citizen of this city died on the 28th ult. was buried by the Masons and Odd Fellows. The Presbyterian scarf entertainment at the Old Fellows' hall, the 30th ult. was a success. M. Mitchell and J. McDaniel left for Hair Gate last week. Our society young people fail to show up of late; why? Good-bye the fruit crops of Tennessee, Jack frost. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night much success was the Jim Erwin Creole show. W. C. Yardly is on the sick list. Miss Rosa Sanders, W. Main St. entertained her guests with a birth day party 28th ult. The M. E. church on Merly St., raised at their rally on the 18th ult. $100.49 towards paying for their new pews. The birthday party was well attended at the residence of the Crocketts, Marble Ally, the 29th ult. The Irwin Comedy Co. is giving some successful entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Jones is happy, it is a boy and he is doing well at this writing. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Jennings entertained a taffy party given by Mrs. Yardly, Friday evening 30th ult., which was well attended. Miss S. A. Lewis, instructor of the phonographic institute is meeting with success. Jas. Patterson was nominated for Reggister of the county; to elect him in August is the question, let us try!

Conference a Success.

Truesdale, Mo., Special.

It is said the Central Missouri conference, that has recently closed her session at Sedalia, Mo., was a success in everything. Over $2,000 00 were subscribed during the conference for the college. Eight preachers from the A. M. E. church handed in their credentials and were received on trial The next conference will be held at Fayette, Mo. The G. K. Smith college has 60 pupils, and still there are more to follow. Rev. George Reeves, of Louisiana, Mo., was appointed P. E. of the Hannibal district.

FRIENDS AT HOME

Mourn The Death of Lieut. Alexander—The Fire Bug.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Mrs. Fulton, of Chicago, an ex-resident, was in the city visiting friends, the guest of Mrs. R C. Wilson. Policeman Jno. J. Jones lost his two new tennant houses by fire last week. Insurance, $800. L. D. Lamkins has had much trouble with a cold and a cough. Mrs. M G. Turner was in from her school, accompanied with one of her pupils, Miss Hubert, to spend Easter. C. B Begley and his assistant, Miss Glennie Chapple, were in from their school to enjoy Easter.

"The soldier rests, the warfare is o'er."

Monday, March 26th, news was flashed to our city that Lieut. Jno. A. Alexander had dropped dead with the heart disease in Springfield, O., at high noon, where, on an invitation, he had gone to spend Easter Sunday in the barracks. His death was a severe shock to Helena, his home. Not only to home and relatives but throughout the Northern states. Lieut. Alexander was just about to do great work with the promotion President Cleveland had given him, Professor of Militia and Science at Wilberforce University, the only one in the United States. There are a number of military schools but not connected to Uncle Sam. His remains were laid in National cemetery, at Springfield. His brother, Jas. Alexander, was present from this city, M. A. Alexander was telegraphed in Georgia, and T. N. Alexander received a message in Mississippi. They came to join the mourners at home.

Easter services was well attended at all churches. Will Douglass and the babe of Mrs. B. J. Smith were baptized at the 11 o'clock service at the A. M. E. church by Rev. G. W. Swan. Rev. E. C. Morris, D. D., baptized a few converts from the Centennial church last Sunday. Miss Emma E. Burnes, of the city, was in on Easter, accompanied by two of her scholars, Messrs. Dan Sigles and Jesse Stephenson, of Old Town, where Miss Emma has charge of a school. Bill Pierce died in North Helena, uncared for; women begged money to bury him. Readers, you seem to have forgotten that the agent is not allowed to credit. Your debts are too large. You must pay up.

At St. Paul, Easter.

Arkadelphia, Ark., Special.

Easter services held in St. Paul A. M. E. church on the 25th, ult., were very fine. Our Superintendents, Profs. S. T. Boyd and J. E. Peake, with their several committees, arranged the programme. Rev. W. H. Coats, pastor in charge, preached an able sermon from Mark 16th chapter and 3d verse. Mrs. G. A. Miller, organist, furnished excellent music, with the assistence of the choir. Many of the little folks had recitations, declamations and select reading. The sum raised for missionary purposes was $5.00 Though small, we did the best we could under the circumstances, and hope to be able to raise more in the future.

GALA TIMES AT SCHOOL.

Lincoln University The Scene—The "Sophomores" Came

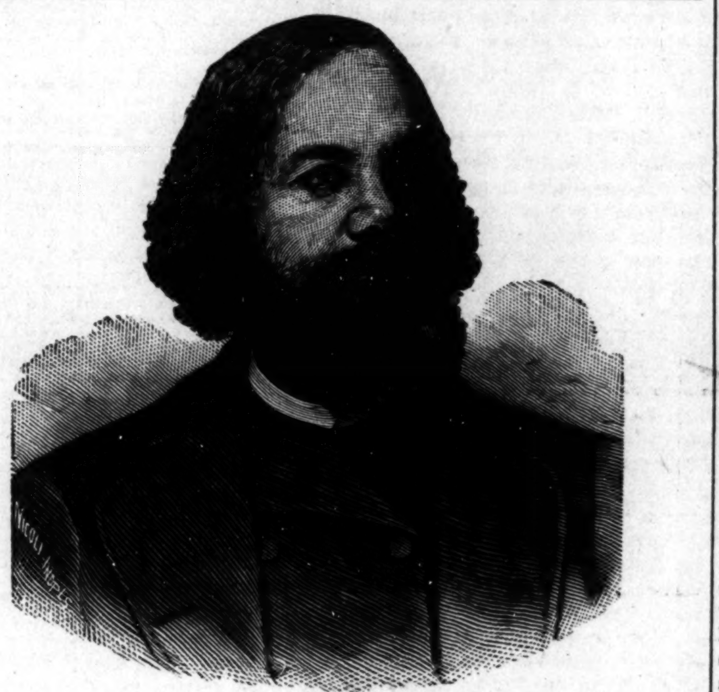
Out and are Being Congratulated Upon All Sides For Their Creditable Passage Through a Crucial Test.

Lincoln University, Penn., Special.

The sun—god Apollo, mounted the cerulean concave this morning with increasing power and splendor. He scattered, with God-like lavishness his golden rays over rejoicing nature. The Sophomores hailed his beams with joy, because the most eventful day in their college career was at hand and a fine day was a necessity to show them off to advantage. Early in the morning an event transpired which diverted the minds of the students from the prospective "come out" of the Sophomores, and these worthies, taking advantage of this momentary excitement, hied away to their rendezvous unnoticed. Presently the sound of a drum was heard in the distance; the students ceased their noise and bent attent ears in the direction of the sound. The truth dawned upon them: the Sophomores were "coming out." Soon, in the distance, with colors flying and marching in orderly array, the Sophomores appeared, Capt. J. J. Benton commanding. They marched up the board walk to Cresson hall and halted in front of the building. The salute was made, the class song was sung and their class yell rent the air. The Juniors responded with a rousing yell. The line of march was again quickly formed and the happy boys of '96 moved off to the merry music of the drum. As they passed down the avenue in single file the seniors sent up their stirring yell which was quickly followed by the yell of the freshmen.

The Sophs turned with a flank movement upon the Campus, and as those lads marched along shoulder to shoulder, with their pretty mottos shining on their breasts and their banners streaming gaily to the winds, they were truely a goodly company. They lined up before Houston hall and rousing speeches were made by Messrs. A H. Thomason and T. J. Bamfield. The boys then formed and went through some beautiful and intricate evolutions working out their class motto inspired by the cheers of the enthusiastic onlookers. Having finished this they marched up before Cresson hall, yelled and disbanded.

It was a complete success and many congratulations are being handed around to the rejoicing Sophs who have thus passed so creditably through one of the most crucial periods of college life.



CHAPLAIN T. G. STEWART, D. D.,
Of the United States Army.

THE OPELOUSAS ACADEMY

Its Surroundings, Attractions and Prospects—Encouraging Reports.

The Opelousas Academy is located in the beautiful and healthful town of Opelousas. La. The town is gradually improving, population two thousand. The school not being an old one, is said by the board and faculty, to be doing better this term than ever before. Our prospects for an interesting closing were never better. Last session our number of pupils was fifty-eight; this term we have enrolled one hundred and eighteen. In a constantly growing community the material is not wanting from which to obtain pupils. It is my delight to say that through the efforts of its energetic and successful superintendent and the progressive work of teachers, the academy has nearly surmounted all oppressions and is destined, in the near future, to figure prominently among the leading institutions of its kind. While the school has done remarkably, both numerically and financially, there remains one great need, a building with necessary recitation rooms for the different departments; happily a movement is now in progress for raising funds for the erection of a building this year. G. F. Priestly of New Orleans, La. is the principal assisted by Miss Eva Lena Greene the amiable, persevering young teacher in the primary department and Paul B. Smith the indefatigable builder in the junior department, all three preparing their pupils to enter Leland university of which the principal is a graduate.

Shall Opelousas Academy be despised? Can the inteligent colored citizens of Opelousas fervently afford to pass her by unnoticed as one of the forces elevating our people morally socially and intellectually? The pupils have a literary circle connected with the school, which meets every Friday at 2 o'clock p. m. The Little Zion Baptist church of which Rev. L. C Simon is pastor, is engaged in successful revival meetings, ten accessions. We truly hope the good work will continue to increase. Rev. L. C Simon is the founder of the above named academy and is a minister of high standing among the leading clergymen of Louisiana.

SUCCESSFUL NIGHT SCHOOL.

Annual Sermon of U. B. F. and S. M. T.'s Preached.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

The closing exercises of the Western night school were held on the 22nd inst. in the Chapel of the school. It has been the most prosperous night school held here for years. The declamations and essays were of a high order. There was but one graduate, W. H. D. Shipley. Profs. Simpson and Williams, and the Misses Webster, Dunlap and Fitzbutler were the assistants. Prof. W. T. Payton, the principal of the Eastern public school, said to a reporter for The Freeman that the night school has been a success in every particular. It has been conducted by some of the best teachers in the city. The average attendance has been 175. This is a decided increase over last year. Prof. W. T Peyton, assisted by Prof. Bartholomew of the girls' (white) school conducted the Normal department, which was composed principally of the public school teachers.

The U. B F. & S M. T.'s annual sermon was discoursed by Rev. Tyree, pastor of Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church, last Sunday afternoon. Alexander Payne and Miss Laura Grant were joined in holy wedlock last Wednesday evening. P. H. Daughty has recovered from a severe illness and is able to be about again. Drs. W. R. Arthur, of Shelbyville, and C. M. Wade, of Harrodsburg, Ky., are in the city. Rev. R. T. Anderson has returned from Cincinnati, O. The funeral of Miss Gertrude Glover took place from Fifth St. Baptist church last Sunday afternoon. She was a neice of the Misses Emma and Belle Alexander. Rev. David Anderson has taken charge of the new church at Second and Green streets. A large crowd attended the holy communion of the Gladstone Baptist church last Sunday afternoon. The ladies' auxiliary of the Old Folks' Home gave a grand candy pulling at the residence of Miss Sallie E. Taylor, 1508 Second street, last Monday night, which was a grand success financially. She was assisted by Misses West and May.

Small Pox Among the Whites.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Wallace, on Flin street, entertained quite a select number of young people Friday evening, which was highly appreciated and enjoyed by all present. A. D. Kelley left for his home Saturday, in Montgomery, Ala., we wish him a pleasant trip. Miss Flossie Jackson is still improving. The small pox is still in the city and most exclusively among the whites. Jessie Jenkins is able to be at his post again. The cold wave has destroyed all fruits in this section. Miss Mary C. Guess visited Knoxville this week on business.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE.

Many Guests And Many Presents—The Feast That

Followed—The "Light Fantastic"—Conference Directory—"Recepted" On His 21st Birthday.

Wilmington, Del., Special.

A birth-day surprise was tendered Mrs. Mary A. Brown, of 818 French street, it was in honor of her 60th mile-stone. She was the recipient of many handsome and useful presents and a purse containing a small sum of money. Among the presents was a large cake containing her name and age, from her children. Among those present were Mrs. Roberts, Miss Lizzie Williams, Miss Rachel Johnson, Miss Annie E. Louis, H. J. Williams, Miss Annie Spencer, Annie Hubert, Annie Anderson, E Chase, Maggie Bell, Annie Brown, Maggie Brown. Messrs. Chas. Price, Jos. Purnell, Thomas Price, Maurice Spencer, and S. Ralph Spencer; Miss Laura Jones, Caroline Williams, Tillie Webster. Mr. Eben Parker, Howard Mercer, George Bell, Richard Ponzo, Chas. Mason, Oliver Steward, Stephens Savins, Wm. Carmicheal, Geo. Williams, Benjamin Hubert. The guests were invited to the dining room where they were served with all the delicacies of the season; after refreshing themselves dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

You will always find The Freeman at James A. Benton, agent, 849 Windsor street. Miss Nellie Harkless, of Philadelphia, passed through this city a few days ago enroute for Maryland. Mr. Enoch Hubert, a student of Howard University, Washington, D. C., is home. Rev. J. B. Waters, presiding elder, has wrote a Delaware Conference directory, which has the address of the residences were each minister is to stop during the conference. The conference will convene Wednesday April 11th in Zion M. E church at 9 a. m. Bishop C. H. Fowler, D. D., L. L. D., will preside. Among the general conference officers that will be present are Rev. A. B. Leonard, D. D., L. L. D., Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., who will preach at 7:30 p. m. at the seat of the conference Dr Kynett, Dr. C. H. Payne and F. C Wagner. Mr. Maurice Spencer was tendered a reception Saturday March 31st, it being his 21st birthday, at 206 E. 10th street; among those present were Miss Black Williams. Miss Givens, Miss Daisy Anderson, Miss Helen Hill, Miss A. G. Baldwin, Miss May Dover, Miss E. B. Kruse, H. E. Spencer, Dr. S. Elbert, J. F. Bell and Dr. H. Stevens. Miss Retta Marshall's school at Harrington, Del., has closed; she expects to remain in the city awhile. Mr. Israel Turlington has returned home from Philadelphia. The musical and literary entertainment given by the Epworth league in Zion M. E. church Friday evening 30th ult. was a grand affair and decided success. The parts rendered by the following persons were excellent: Select reading by W. E Rogers; solo Mrs. Lizzie View; reading, Miss Hattie Moseley; guitar solo, Prof. J. Skimerhorn; duett, Miss Violet Brown and Katie Willis, and an excellent rendition by six little girls. Jacob Well attended the funeral of Mrs. Chambers, in Chester Sunday April 1st. Rev. Isaac White, of Chester, Pa., was in the city last week. Miss Pearline F. Boster, of Philadelphia, was in the city recently W. E. Grinnage who has been confined to his home very ill is convalescing. Miss Georgia Clayton, of Philadelphia, passed through this city a few days ago enroute for Centreville, Md Miss Mamie Cannon's school at Felton is closed with excellent success for the scholastic year, and she has returned heme to this city.

PREPARING FOR

The Closing Exercises—Epworth League And Young People's Union.

Bryan, Tex., Special.

The teachers of the city are very busy at work prepareing for the closing exercises, to be on the 18th of May. City election is near at hand. The colored citizens held a mass meeting last Friday night and unanimously endorsed Cliff A. Adams candidate for re-election to the office as Mayor. The Payne Literary society, Epworth league and Young Peoples union are doing fine work for the young people of Bryan. A news summary was read before the Epworth league last Wednesday night by Prof. Thompson consisting of some spicy jokes. The "matrimonial phobia" gave Bryan a pretty good shock last week, five couples fell victims, as Prof. Thompson read in his summary. Some of our farmers are boasting of their promising crops; corn six inches and still growing in spite of the recent blizzard. The Easter exercises at the A. M. E. church are said to have been the the event of the season. The beautiful solo by Miss Tally deserves special attention. The songs and recitations by the little folks were very interesting and nicely carried out. Rev. Cole the indefatigable pastor is the right man in the right place. R. B. Goosby one of Bryans thrifty barbers was placed on trial before the courts last Wednesday charged with perjury. The court quashed the indictment, releasing him. The teachers from the different districs in the county are coming one by one, The members of Shiloh Baptist will soon begin remodeling their church. The M. E's. with Rev. W. A. Fortson as their worthy leader says they will go out of their old house into the new this year. Little Sadie Robinson has been very sick but is now convalescing. Prof. J. A. Freeman is the coming stumper of Bryan. The good people of Bryan deprived their dear children of a great deal when they let the music school' taught by Prof. Thompson, die out, for the Professor is a young man of rare musical ability. W. R. Minor who has been head cook at the exchange, left for Beaumont last week. C. C. Calhoun, a young blacksmith of the city. presented his mother with a fine buggy.

WHITE MAN

Shoots a Negro, Then Pleads Insanity—The Murderer Will Probably Go Free.

Elliston, Va., Special.

The revival which began three weeks ago closed Friday night with some success. Rev. Holmes left for Christianburg on the 1st inst. Mrs. Alice Caloway who has been ill for some time is recovering. Wm. Dow, who got his leg hurt on the train, is able to walk about. The school of which G. W. Hopkins is principal, closes in three weeks, the students are preparing to have a very interesting programme. Rev. C. S. Shaeffer who went North for his health is very much improved. A very interesting program was carried out by the Sabbath school Easter morning. The interesting topics of The Freeman are read in the L. and G. Lyceum; the Lyceum expects to give a very pleasant entertainment to the public soon. The white man who shot Tom Dodd, colored, in Cristianburg a few weeks ago is said to be insane, so the cold blooded murderer is to escape the law by feigning insanity. America is the home of the Negro and here is where he should remain; it is where he shed his blood for this country; it is here that by his toils and labor he made the South what it is today. Here is where he spent his time in slavery and here is where he should enjoy his freedom. The colored man of the South seems to be waiting, one is waiting to see what the other is going to do. Why not link ourselves together in one great union, for together we stand divided we fall.

G. E. M.

Religion Makes no Difference With Them.

Little Rock. Ark, Special.

People here would like to make The Freeman a twice a week paper, and if all would put their shoulders to the wheel we could do so. Bishop H. M. Turner, the great Negro leader, is expected here this week and we want to do him honor. At Bethel A. M. E. church the battle against satan is in progress, and the outlook is bright. Rev. T. H. Jackson, the pastor, is firing the camp on all sides; and the whites are carrying on a protracted meeting too, but some how it don't have any effect on these lynchers, for it has not been more than three weeks since the news came that a woman was hanging on the road side, and that she had been lynched, and these words was pinned on her breast: "The one that cuts this body down shall be treated likewise," and about the 28th of March here it comes again, a Negro lynched at England, Ark., and note please, that these lynchers are church people and Bible readers. It is worse now than it was 15 years ago, and it is not a matter of money, for there are colored men who has money by the thousands and they get the same treatment; and it is not for the want of education, then they call him a "smart Elic," and yet you say we must stay here and make him rich. I say, thin out and go West and get hold of land and money. The white man says he has to do it to keep the Negro down else he would overpower him; and where we are not so thickly settled we get along better.

S. W. M.

Women Organize.

Winterville, Miss., Special.

The Women of three societies met in St. Josephs Baptist church on the 30th and 31st of March and organized under the name of the Home Aid Beneficial association for the purpose of helping the poor people of this vicinity and also to care for their members and bury their dead. The meeting was called to order and the object stated by Sister L. V. Freeman, who is now its president; after which it elected secretary, treasurer and so on. Sermon preached by Rev. J. H. Hawkins and F. L. Thomason, essays and lectures by several other distinguished gentlemen and ladies. The women of this vicinity has resolved not to wait any longer on the men to better their condition, and I hereby give them my aid and assistance. Yours for the upbuilding of the race,

BRO. C. W. BUCKHALTER.

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THESE TWO GREAT FORCES,

The Brutal And Christianized, Are Struggling For The

Mastery Of The World—Evidence Not Lacking That The Brutal Will Be Vanquished.

There has been recently two International conventions held in the Southern part of our country that are worth studying, because of their typical character. They represent the two great forces which are struggling for the mastery in this world.

One of these conventions represented the brute in human nature. It shows what man is when given over to lust and appetite and selfishness. This convention of brutes has just concluded its brief session at Jacksonville, Fla. If anyone has had the slightest doubt as to the utterly brutal and devilish character of these falsely so-called "athletic exhibitions," the expressions which have flowed naturally from the pen of the reporters is describing this recent meeting of brutes, is enough to dissipate it forever. One writer, looking over the crowd, wrote to his paper that if Superintendent Brynes' detectives had been on hand with kodaks, they could have made a "new rogues' gallery." Another says that even the Pinkertons were amazed at the herd of "thugs, thieves, pick pockets and sharps." A third says the crowd sat with "open mouths and glaring eyes." Some of the graphic descriptions of the two principal brutes are suggestive. The champion brute is said to have stood over his victim like a "lion over his prey;" and again, "his smile had murder in it." Yet another reporter writes that they glared on each other "like two tigers." Still another, impressed with the devilish aspect of the scene, says that at one time there was a huge roar of cheers and "bitter brimstone curses," and of the fighters, that they "were gripped like boa constrictors," and later declares that the winning brute was like an "angry python," while his opponent "grinned like a demon." One newspaper man, borrowing his figures from the shambles, declares the beaten bully went down like "a slaughtered ox"

Perhaps nothing more fully illustrates the infernal spirit of the whole affair than the statement of the fact that the pool of blood which had oozed from the bruised and torn face of the beaten brute were all sopped dry in a few moments by the handkerchiefs and daybooks of the bloodthirsty and demon-possessed crowd, in their anxiety to have some memento of the horrible occasion.

The influence of this crowd in any city could not but be dangerous and degrading in every way. The very air of the street smelled of the pit.

The other meeting was the International Convention of Christian Workers, in Atlanta, Ga., not many weeks ago. From much the same territory, England, Canada and America, there gathered a large number of the most enthusiastic and earnest workers who are seeking to bring the world back from the brute to the Christ. The atmosphere of this convention was fragrant with self-denial, with gentleness, with sympathy, with heavenly love. The sweetest singers of the land sung of the triumphs of the King of Peace. The bravest knights of the new chivalry told with full hearts and joyous words the story of the rescue of lost souls. The whole city was lifted upward and made better by the presence and spirit of this convention.

These two conventions stand over in antagonism; but the convention of gentleness will yet capture the convention of brute force.

This army of singing, praying, tender-hearted soldiers of Christ are destined ere long to make forever impossible such meetings as the one in Jacksonville.

The latest act of defiance of the better public sentiment of the country only emphasizes how tremendously the Christ is gaining on the brute in civilization. When Christ came the brute was master of the governments of the the world. At that time the emperors and the senators, in company with the most cultivated of Roman citizens, graced the most brutal exhibitions of human butchery.

The man who says Christianity is making no headway needs only to ask himself if it would be possible to get a bill through Congress for a great slugging arena to be built in Washington, near the Capitol, out of government money; to secure President Cleveland to be master of ceremonies at an international fight; to have Congress adjourn and its members present, with their wives and daughters, on the occasion; and, when the struggle comes on, to have the men given daggers instead of gloves to fight with, and when one is killed another and another brought on; and when that gets tame a hungry tiger pitted against the champion. You have only to state such a case to see how surely this publicly permitted, bloody work of the brute is staggering to its "last ditch."

No state will be helpless much longer in its contest with this brutal remnant. The next legislature will certainly place Florida beyond danger of the reputation of such a disgrace. The coming reign of the Christ seems slow enough sometimes, but when we compare the past with the present, we see that it is certainly and surely coming. He who "was reviled, yet reviled not again," who "like a sheep before his shearers was dumb," who gave His back "to the smiters," is more than a match for the brute whose rule has been so long and bloody.

Let every true heart have a part in ushering in the new reign of peace and good will, till Tennyson's dream is realized:

"Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

"Ring in the valiant man and free,
The eager heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be."

REV. L. A. BANKS, D. D.,
In N. Y. Christian Advocate.

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE

A Contributor to The Cosmopolitan Magazine.

The singular good fortune has fallen to the lot of The Cosmopolitan Magazine of presenting one of the most remarkable pieces of fiction ever written—remarkable because of its author and remarkable because it has remained unsuspected and undiscovered for more than a hundred years, only to be given to the world at last in an American magazine. During a recent call at the office of the editor of The Cosmopolitan, he mentioned that he had on the presses in the April number a literary treasure, and asked me to guess the name, saying that it was written by a most distinguished person. After a moment's thought, I ventured:

"President Harrison?"

"Greater than he," was the reply. "Guess again."

"Blaine?"

"Greater than Blaine."

"Gladstone?"

"Greater than he."

"Bismark?"

"Greater than he."

"Emperor William?"

"Much greater."

"Pope Leo XIII?" I guessed wildly.

"Greater than he."

Then I was at a loss, and hesitated.

"You must not confine yourself to living men," he interrupted.

"You say it is a piece of fiction and by a man greater than Bismark, Gladstone, the Emperor William? I confess you puzzle me."

"Well, suppose I say it was a Corsican story." The riddle was solved. A story was actually in existence by Napoleon Bonaparte. The manuscript had survived the vicissitudes of war and exile. Had remained locked up for 100 years and was now about to be brought to light in America. It appears from the researches made by the French Napolenic scholar, Frederic Masson, who vouches for the fact over his own signature, that Napoleon, when a young lieutenant, wrote a Corsican story. The manuscript of this he confided to his uncle, Cardinal Fesch, then Archbishop of Lyons. When Cardinal Fesch died in 1839, his papers were intrusted to his Grand Vicar, Abbe Lyonnet. Napoleon's manuscript was sold by the abbe to Libri, a member of the Academy and inspector of French libraries. Libri sold this and some other manuscripts to Lord Ashburnham for $40,000, and from 1842 to a recent date Napoleon's manuscripts slumbered in Ashburnham Castle. The Cosmopolitan maintains staff editors in both London and Paris, men of wide acquirements, who spend their time in searching exclusively for what is likely to be of great value to the readers of the magazine. To the Paris editor belongs the honor of securing for an American periodical the interesting manuscript from the pen of the world's greatest personality.

Sparring Prohibited at School.

Bonham, Tex., Special.

The series of meetings held at the C. M. E church was but a partial success. Jas. Mickins has recently built a house Mrs. Leah Reels and family are having a residence built. Miss May E. Yates mourns the death of her grandmother. On hearing of the killing of one boy by another, at Denison, boxing on the part of the school boys has been prohibited in this place Mrs. L. A. Tyson's school, at Ivanhoe, closed with an exhibition. Supt Pettus, of the city schools, has consented for us to have an exhibition. We'll have it. Mrs. Williams and daughter have erected a pretty little cottage on their place lately acquired of A. H. Tyson. Read The Freeman. It is the best journal that comes to your city, and costs only 5 cents per copy.

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To say she had no better boy,
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If I were you.

If I were you, I'd always tell
The truth, no matter what befell,
For two things only I despise—
A coward heart and telling lie—
And you would, too,
If I were you.

If I were you, I'd try my best
To do the things I here suggest,
Though since I am no one but me
I cannot very well, you see,
Know what I'd do
If I were you.

—[N. Y. Independent

Two Happy Hearts.

Coles Switch, Miss., Special.

E W. Wells and Miss Josephine Robinson were married Wednesday, 7th ult., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Herrish. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Owen Mitchell, Miss Mary Tobars, Miss Silvey Anderson, Mrs. Mealia Tarber, Mrs. Mary J. McNight, Jas Anderson, S. Wells and family, J. Wells and wife, Miss Rosa Duncans and several others. Elder Sterling officiated. The bride and groom took their departure the next day for their new home. Revs. F. Sterling, who has been ill for two months, was able to be out Easter Sunday. School closed at Cockerham Chapel on Friday night last. They had a fine time and a large turn out. Prof. Isaac was very highly praised.

The Turner Circle Entertain.

Summit, Miss., Special.

Mrs. Ann Cory, who died March 20th, was very aged. The "Turner Circle" entertainment, at the residence of Preston Banks, was fine. At the Easter services held at the A. M. E. church, the following essayes were read: "How to Improve the Sunday school," Miss Canara McMicken; "Home Missions," Lilile Gaten; "The West Indies," G. E. Mason. The following songs were sung: "Joy to the world, the Lord has come;" "Easter day has come again." Mrs. Mely Birk has returned to New Orleans, after attending the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Ann Cory. Parents who belong to the A. M. E. church are kindly requested to send their children to Sunday school.

Well-to-do Colored Men.

Augusta, Ark., Special.

The colored people in Augusta are at work physically and mentally. We have a few colored men in our town who are well-to-do. Wash Curry, Jim Jones, Ike Boykin, Rev. H. H. Wilson, Jessie Miner and others have farms of their own. Alex. Curry, son of Wash Curry, is a benedict now, married to Isabella Boykin, the daughter of Ike Boykin. Jno, Henderson, colored has built a new livery stable. The colored people should patronize him as well as the whites. Jno. Martin is still seeing after the interest of the colored people in Augusta. Miss Amanda Martin returned home week before last from a long visit to her relatives in Little Rock, Ark. Prof. N. W. Hicks' school will close soon, Snapp, Ark.

Do You Take This Splendid Publication?

The Quarterly Illustrator for April, May and June, is crammed with good things, pictures and text, original work, too, offered by some of the brightest writers of the day. There are brief, clever papers by Nym Crinkle George Parsons Lathrop, Henry Pene Du Bois, Alexander Black, Clarence Cook, John Gilmer Speed, Elizabeth W. Champney, George Wharton Edwards, W. J. Baer, Cromwell Childe, Henry Russell Wray, Henry Eckford, Charles M. Skinner, Charlotte Adams. Painters whose pictures are reproduced and life work lightly touched upon, include William M. Chase, George H. McCord, J. G. Brown, W. Verplanck Birney, Stanley Middleton, E. M. Bicknell, George H. Boughton, Frank DeHaven, Harry Fenn, Aymar Pezant and Alfred Paris. A rapid review of art events is contributed by Charles de Kay. One hundred and fifty-five artists have pictures in the text including the series of portraits of artists, and the photographic appendix with contrasted photographs of fair actresses and pictures they have copied in attitude and dress. The Quarterly has kept its promise to improve with every number.

Shooting Affray.

Mineral Point, Mo., Special.

The A. M. E. church, under the pastorate of Rev B. Stroddar, is a success. The Sabbath school had a grand time on Easter Sabbath. The public school, under the management of Prof. F. D. Avant, is preparing a nice programme for the closing exercises, which will take place in eight weeks. We are glad to note that the rumor about Rev. T. J. Gainer, pastor of the F W. Baptist church, having left his wife without a cause, is false. A shooting affray took place here last sunday. Henry Roberson shot J. W. Roter in the cheek, causing a painful, but not a serious wound. They became involved in a difficulty over a game of craps, and hence the shooting. I'd rather be the man with the slight wound on the cheek than to be the perpetrator of the crime.

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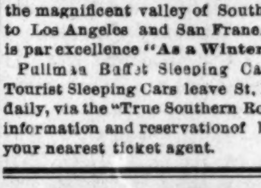

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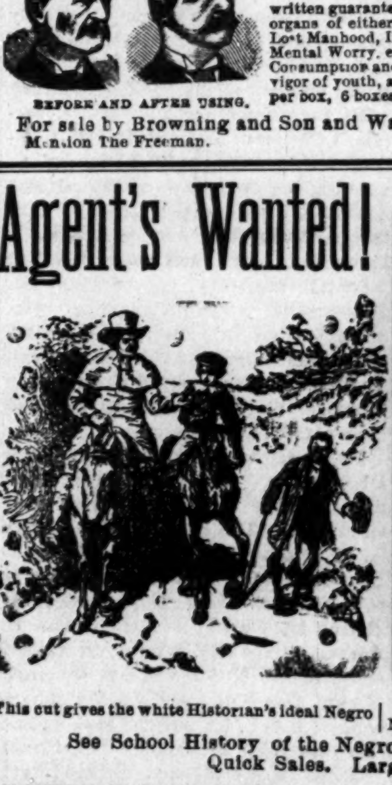

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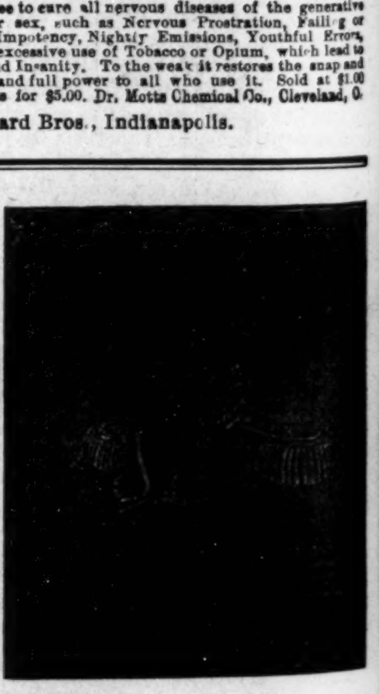

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"But tell me, Nellie, how do you manage to remember them all?" was the next question.

"Why," she answered, "you see I keep my regular books and almost before the beginning of summer, during which period I rest, I have all my engagements booked for every day of the following winter."

"But don't you sometimes get disappointed by sickness in families or their changing their minds in some way, when you make your engagements so long in advance?"

"Oh, no," she said, "I always have extra names on my books, and always find my customers glad enough to give a little extra lunch or tea if I have a spare day. In regard to the marketing, if the ladies who engage me wish to do it, I do not care, though sometimes it bothers me, because often they can't find in the markets just what they wish, while I never fail. You see I have my regular people to whom I give an order, and they know that my customers are of too much importance for them to disappoint me."

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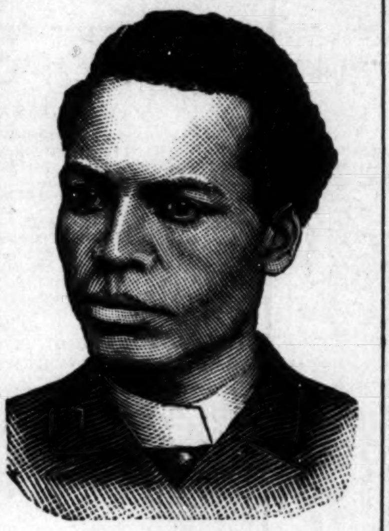
CÆSAR A. A. TAYLOR

Interviewed by a Scribe of a Shouthern White Daily.

Rev. Cæsar A. A. Taylor, D. D., of this city, and who is the general educational financial traeveling representative for the Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, is a Negro of wide travel and broad experience. He was formerly a member of the New York City and County Republican Executive Committee and secretary of the same, and is at present President of the Negro International Sociological Society, and is, therefore, competent to speak on questions of interest.

When seen by The Metropolis reporter, he said: "I am uncompromisingly opposed to all schemes tending to influence the Negro to indiscriminately migrate to Africa or anywhere else. Such agitation is only calculated to work the race untold injury, in that it keeps them in a restless, unsettled state of mind, delaying their progress by preventing them from settling down to acquire means, buy homes and engage in general business enterprises. Those of the full development of their manhood and womanhood in this country cannot do it in Africa.



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"The battles to be fought here and everywhere by both the Negroes and the white people are the same," continued the speaker, "Intelligence is arrayed against ignorance, and wealth against poverty. No race ever had so grand an opportunity for the distinction of itself as the Negro on the American continent. The existence of slavery was the opportunity for a Fred Douglass, even as for a Garrison, a Phillips, a Sumner, a Lovejoy, a Gidding, a Wilberforce, a Lincoln, a Lucretia Mott, an Anna Dickinson, a Beecher and a Harriett Beecher Stowe and others."

Warming up on this subject the speaker resumed: "The civil war was an opportunity for a U. S, Grant, an R. E. Lee, a Jefferson Davis, a Jubal A. Early, a J. T. Beaureguard, a Joseph Hooker, a B. F. Butler, a Joseph E. Johnson, a James M. Trotter, a Joseph E. Wilson, a Geo. W. Williams and others.

"In Alabama there are no less than fifteen prominent institutions of collegiate grade devoted to the Negro's education, and three of them are aided strongly by the state, though under Democratic control. Who has not heard of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial College in Alabama; also the college at Montgomery, at Huntsville, Talladega and Mobile? At Birmingham there is a Negro bank with many white depositors. Otherwise in that State the Negroes are well off and pay taxes on over $10,000,000 of property, besides fine churches and other charitable buildings exempt from taxes. In Texas there are several Negroes owning $1,000,000 each, and one Negro family of five in that State each has $8,000,000, while here in Florida the Negroes pay taxes on over $9,000,000, and have good property in Jacksonville and throughout the state. We all know the Cookman Institute, Edward Waters College, the Baptist colleges at Live Oak and here in this city, and the State Normal at Tallahassee, supported by the state under Democratic control, and other excellent schools.

"Here in Jacksonville our race are doing well. Rev. J. E. Lee, collector of the port; D. S. D. Belliny, health officer; John Pelote, a city prison official; Robt. Zeigler, reporting for the Times-Union, and J. W. Marshal doing like service on the Metropolis. Here we have good churches and many of our race are conducting fine business establishments here and elsewhere in the state.

"All of this," said the speaker in conclusion, "and much more, is a great deal for a race of people only twenty-eight and a half years out of bondage. What grander opportunity does the Negro or any one else want? There is not a state in the Union where the Negroes own less than $5,000,000, and altogether they pay taxes on $300,000,000, and $200,000,000 of this by the $10,000,000 Negroes in the South."—The Metropolis, Jacksonville, Fla.

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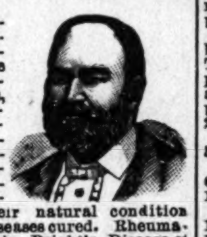

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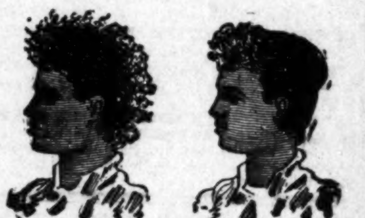

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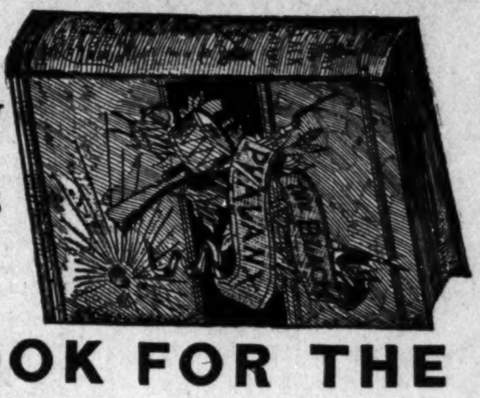

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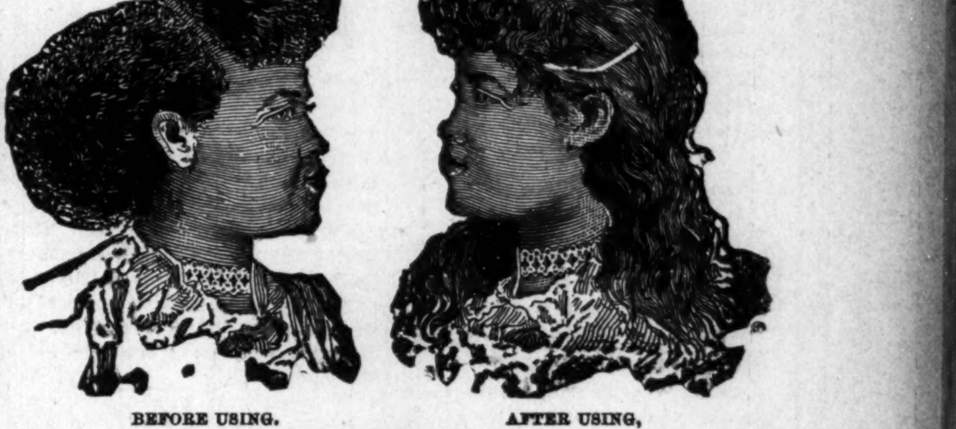

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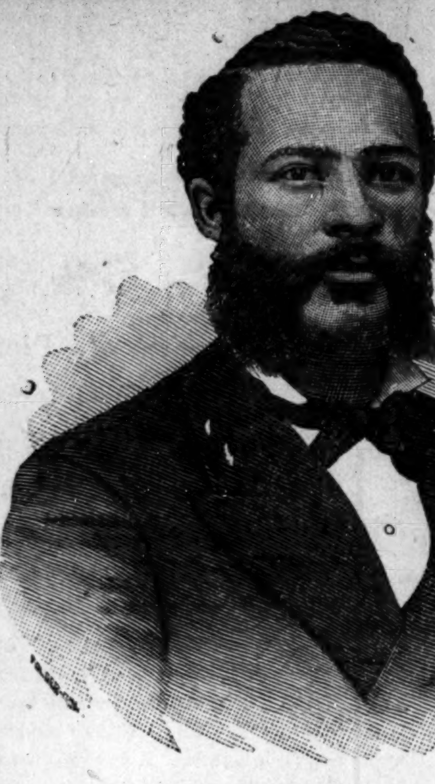

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Low rates and prompt delivery—Freeman Job Office.

Miss Lulu Creles has returned from Alton, Ill.

Dr. W. L Perry was in the city the first of the week.

The Freeman is on sale at the Bates house barber shop.

Mrs. Morning Scott is visiting her daughter in Alton, Ill.

The Sanitary society met at the Propylæum on Thursday.

M. W. Daniels and C. H. Lewis will ender solos on the 16th.

Miss Mamie Pettiford of Franklin, Ind., is visiting in the city.

James Nicholson was confined to his room the first of the week.

Bring your Job Printing to The Freeman office: rates as low as the lowest.

Mr. Sim Ford will open a cafe at 66 Indiana avenue about May 1st.

James Edson is able to be out again, after a severe attack of grippe.

Bishop Wayman will preach at Allen chapel tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

Miss Oride Dixon sang a solo at Bethel church Sunday morning.

Come and see the May Queen on May the 2nd at the Corinthian church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McCary entertained friends at dinner last Sunday.

Creole Switches on sale at Ladies department of the Bates house barber shop.

John Green received a severe fall from an electric car on Illinoise street last Tuesday.

The Freeman is on sale at the Bates House barber shop.

Mrs. G. A. Sissel and Mrs. Dolly Lewis attended the conference at Covington, Ky. last week.

Wait for the May Fair, the first week in May, at the Corinthian Baptist church

Hear Madam Selika and Velosko, the great Hawaiian baritone soloist at the Second Baptist church on the 16th.

The grand musical entertainment during the week of the Fair, the Corinthian church.

On Nov. 30, '93, Madam Selika sang to 900 people in the Second Baptist church.

Samuel Marrow, after several months' stay in our city, left last week for his home at Asbury Park, N. J.

The verdict of the masses is that Madam Selika is the Prima Donna and Patti of her race.

Miss Nettie Maud Christy was in Danville, Ind., last Saturday in the interest of the Christian Endeavor.

The West End Needle club was entertained Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Porter.

Madam Selika and Velosko sang to 3,000 people in the great pavilion in Hamilton, Canada, on March the 18th.

Have your wedding, birthday, and anniversary reception invitations printed at The Freeman Job department, 127 Indiana avenue.

The Literary club entertained the members of the Christian endeavor society Monday evening.

Mrs. Sarah Guard of Crawfordsville, this state, spent Sunday in the city, the guest of her son Remus Moore.

Master Thomas Johnson, son of W H. Johnson of the Bates House Barber shop, has returned from Owensboro, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas of St. Louis spent a part of this week in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Harris.

Mrs. S. Hunter of Chicago, Mrs. Armstrong, Miss Gerty Howard and E. Marshal were highly entertained at the home of Mrs. Walter Jameson on March 9, '94.

All members of the Ninth Presbyterian church are requested to be present Monday night, April, 9th, business of importance.

The various pastors of the city and their respective congregations have resolved to hear Velosko and Madam Selika, on the 16th.

Samuel White returned home last week after several months stay in Sutphin, N. C He left Monday night for Chicago, to be gone two weeks.

The Misses Ida Hall, Mary Palmer and Nettie M. Christy, accompanied by James Davis, attended the Christian Endeavor convention at Danville, Ind. last week.

In order to give all an equal chance to hear Velosko the great Hawaiian baritone soloist, the admission will be only 15 and 25 cents, come early to get a good seat.

Madam Selika and Velosko will be supported by Mrs. Sallie J. Robinson of Versailles, Ky, J. Milton Benson, Miss Fannie McNeil, Miss Bell Lewis and the famous Bell Quartette.

Rev. O. A. Williams, of the Ninth Presbyterian church, will preach tomorrow at 11 a. m., from 2d Tim. 2 15, subject: "Why should the minister be a student?" At 8 p. m., from Heb. 11 24-25, subject: "The choice of Moses."

His Initial Sermon.

Dr. Hagood will preach his initial sermon to-morrow morning at Simpson Chapel. The Doctor is a man of parts, in fact one of the race's eminent men, and Indianapolis has need to congratulate itself for the presence of Dr. Hagood as a resident,

Pleasantly Entertained.

While attending conference held last week at Covington, Ky., Hon. Geo. L Knox, wife and daughter, were guests at the home of Dr. Carey, 60 Kenyon avenue, Cincinnati, O. Mrs. Carey, the Doctor's estimable wife, has been severely ill for some time, but is now recovering.

Late Songs.

We are in receipt of the latest popular songs, "The Dog Went Mad," an immensely funny song, sung by Eddie Foy in "Sinbad," price 40c, and the beautiful home song, entitled "Back to the Old, Old Home. This song is exceedingly sweet and pathetic, and has a catchy waltz refrain. Price 40c. They are for sale at all music stores or may be obtained from the publishers, The Thompson Music Co, 367 Wabash Ave., Chicago, at one-half the printed price.

Found Dead.

Oliver P. Gray, aged fifty four, was found dead in the barber shop of Wesley Bridges, 123 Ft. Wayne Ave Doctors believe that Gray was attacked by appoplexy and had fallen over unconscious on the stove. Mrs. Gray, who lives on Ohio St., and who has been separated from her husband for several years, took charge of the body.

Young People's Literary Society.

The literary society at the Second Baptist church is progressing nicely. Large crowds of young ladies and gents meet and enjoy themselves. The meetings are held regularly each Wednesday evening and a literary program is carried out together with a debate, which closes the exercises. Extemporaneous speeches were made last Wednesday evening upon Coxey and his army. They discussed the movement pro and con and did it very interestingly. You should avail yourself of the opportunity to be in attendance at the next meeting.

Officers Elected.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND, April 3, '94.

The Northeastern Union Co-operative Association met on said date at Allen Chapel for the election of officers, and elected said officers as follows: John T. Williams, president; S. W Harris, vice-president; Isaac Griffis, financial secretary; Benj. Bridges, recording secretary; Thomas Durm, treasurer.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

John T. Williams, chairman; Wesley Jackson, Clinton Nunn, Frank Beckwith, R. T. Williams. Meeting adjourned to meet April 10th, at Allen Chapel, Broadway, between Cherry and Christian avenue.

THE BELLS' QUARTETTE

At Blackford Street Church, Monday Night, April 9th.

1.	"Hail us Ye Free,"	Company.
2.	Overture,	R. B Shelton.
3.	"Annie Laurie,"	Bell Quartette.
4.	Soprano solo,	Katie Clay.
5.	Character Duett,	M. W. Daniels, Wm. D. Cook.
6.	Tenor solo,	Chas. H. Lewis.
7.	Selection,	Bell Quartette.
	PART II.	
1.	Soprano solo,	Duretta Dixon.
2.	Selection—Imitation of Caliope,	Bell Quartette
3.	Tenor solo,	William Cook.
4.	"Vacant Chair,"	Bell Quartette.
5.	Bass solo,	M. W. Daniels.
6.	Imitation of Band.	Bell Quartette.
7.	"Good Night."	Bell Quartette.

A Card.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE FREEMAN of Indianapolis:—

I wish to inform the readers of your valuable paper, that the Missionary convention called to meet at Crawfordsville in April, by Mrs. Ractliff of Logansport, Ind, does not embrace the Home Missionary society of the Indiana conference of which Miss Sadie Nichols is the president. Mrs. Ractliff represents the foreign, and Miss Nichols represents the home missionary work. The home convention will meet on or about the first of June in Indianapolis or a place named by the President in due time.

SADIE NICHOLS, Pres.
M. A. TEISTER, Fin. Sec.

Organized for Recognition.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

Rev. H. C. Burton was confined a few days to his bed last week with the sciatic rheumatism. Dr. B. C. Swan, of the Presbyterian church (white), filled the pulpit at the A. M. E. church last Sunday night. The citizens of color met at the A. M. E. church last Monday night to organize themselves as a body politic for the purpose of demanding recognition of the white Republican candidates and officials. Organized by electing D. C. Hughes, permanent chairman; Green Hodge, vice; Wm. Crouse, secretary; J. L. Turnbo, assistant. The name True Blue Republican Massac County Club was adopted. Though not specified in the call a temporary vote was taken on the three candidates for alderman of the first ward to see which was best to be left off of the ballot. Decided on Chas. Hollingsworth, and, as the call was not made for that purpose, a kick has been made, so they may run the trial vote over for satisfaction to those who knew not of the meeting being for the purpose of voting.

Struck a Girl—Fined $14.00.

Union City, Tenn., Special.

One Miss Minerva Beard lost her mind and is now in jail. John Chambers was arrested and brought before the Mayor for slapping Gerty Brown, his fine was $14.00 Mrs. Motor, who has been sick for some time, is on the mend. Thos. Haily was in the city on 31th ult Mrs. Lucy Toton is on the sick list. Will Howard, of Diersburg, was in the city last week. The U. B. F. and and S. M. T. gave their annual sermon on April 1, '94 and had a grand supper at their hall on the 2nd evening. Mrs. Molly Bell presented I. A. Bell a fine boy on April 1, '94. Cash for The Freeman every Saturday, 5 cents a copy, delivered by I. A. Bell, sole agent for The Freeman of Union City.

Lecture, "American Manhood."

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

Thomas Cox died Thursday, after one days' illness. The U. B. F. lodge had their sermon preached at the A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon by Rev. Hamilton. Rev. Robt. Mitchell's lecture, delivered at S. M. church, was very ably delivered; subject, "American Manhood." Mr. Gaines, State Grand Master of the U. B. F. lodge, in company with Mr. Montgomery, has been visiting in the city. There were nine converts baptized Sunday morning by Rev. Robt. Mitchell, A. M. The Lord's supper was administered Sunday afternoon. Dr. Simpkins wife is now in the city.

Monitor Band Entertainment.

Decatur, Ill., Special.

The entertainment given by the Monitor band was a success; the selections by the Misses Blue, Bunch, White and Leflet deserve especial mention. Instrumental music was furnished by Mrs. Love and the band; we wish to say that the band has improved wonderfully. During the evening there were several solos rendered as follows; coronet solo, "Carnival o, Venice" by D H. Langford; trombone solo, "The Artist Polka" by E. O. Green: baritone solo, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep" by Joe T. Patton, Jr. which were the main features of the program. The "Little Link" quartette under the direction of Mr. Slaughter, deserves especial commendation for their trouble in preparing several nice songs which were delivered very effectively. Refreshments were served.

Separate Coach Law Discussed.

Murfreesboro, Tenn., Special.

The Baptist literary society met at the First Baptist church March 30th; G. W. Benton, president; W. D. Greer, secretary. The subject of debate was the separate car law. The speakers were W. L. Ginning, W. Rucker, A. Everedge and A. A. Allen. Decided in favor of the negative. Miss Lou Dixy is on the sick list. Mrs Wm. Stancel is up again. There were two baptisings last Sunday by Baptist churches. The wedding bells are ringing.

The "Peanut" Hunt.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The intense cold weather that prevailed during last week, killed all the early fruit and vegetation. Wm. Bonds, a member of the Western Kentuck Lodge No. 2831, G. U. O. of O. F., died on the 30th, ult. His remains were shipped to Water Valley, Miss, for burial. Mrs. Prudie Fisher died on the 30th also, after a lingering illness. Her age was 45 years. Puggsley Bros.' Tennessee Warblers appeared at Odd Fellows' hall on April 2d, to a large and appreciative audience. The "Peanut Hunt," on the 30th, given by the Plain City Drill Corps, was a merited success. The different lodges of the U. B. of F. and S. M. T. held their annual sermon at the A. M. E. church on Sunday, April, 1st. The auditorium was packed. Thos. Glars made a flying trip to Metropolis, Ill, last week on business. Mrs Sallie V Steele of Henderson is in the city on a visit to relatives. James Merriwether a well known young man of this city is dangerously ill in St Louis, the doctors have given him up to die. Miss Belle Leech and Harry Brown drew the prizes at the peanut hunt. The original Bill Jones the museum freak, commonly known as the nail eater, is in the city giving exhibitions of his skill. Mrs. Ann Hobbs has returned from a several months visit to St Louis. Commencing on Saturday April, 7th no papers will be sold on credit, please make a note of this. Call on Minor Bradshaw for The Freeman.

DIED IN JAIL.

The "Upper Tens" at The Court House—Pleasure-Seeking Club's Social.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Miss Lillie Clark, who has been teaching school in Henderson, Ky., and Miss Mary Roberts, came home last week to spend the summer. The ball given by the Upper Tens at the court house was well attended. By the use of too much wine, etc., it broke up in disorder and confusion. Some of the participants were unorderly and could not be controlled. The opening entertainment at Gorham hall was given by Fergerson & Hudson on last Monday night. A large crowd was present and an enjoyable time was spent.

Joe Roberts, an old citizen, died in county jail Monday morning. He was in jail awaiting trial for the attempt to murder Granville Gardner last Christmas. He was buried at Mt. Olivet cemetery, Tuesday. Miss Lena Gilmore and Miss Lucy Gilmore returned home Monday, after a two days' stay at Glenn Ellen, Tenn. Mrs. Laura Dye, an old citizen of this city, died at her home, on Eleventh and Main streets, Sunday, and was buried from St. John Baptist church, Monday. Jno. Keesee and Wm. Johnson have opened up their news stand at 122 S. First street. All kinds of papers can be had for 5 and 10 cents per copy

The Pleasure-Seeking club gave a small social to the members of the club at the residence of Hiram Johnson, 131 S. Eleventh street, last week, and many were present and an enjoyable time was had. Ella Crusman, daughter of Mrs. Fannie Crusman, died last week and was buried at Mt Olivet cemetery The next day after the child burial, the home of her mother and brother-in-law caught fire on Base-ball hill and was destroyed by fire. The fire started from a flue in the kitchen. Willis Crusman's house was a total loss, while his sister's burned to the ground, but some furniture was saved

The Freeman can be had at 5 cents per copy. Wm. Cary has returned from Adairsville, Ky., and accepted a situation as night packer for the Rabbeth Dunlap Mill Co. There is much sickness and many deaths at present. Mrs. Hattie Fergerson, Mrs. Jas. Jackson and Mrs. Alex. Moore, who has been on the sick list for quite a while, we are glad to say are slowly improving. The Freeman, the only illustrated colored newspaper in the United States, can be had at Keesee & Johnson's news stand, 122 S. First street. Call on John Keesee and get a copy, only 5 cents. Call early, for they go like hot cakes.

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